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Orinda Interchange May Be Completed By End of '54 Resident Engineer Says

Orinda Interchange may be completed by the end of the 1954 calendar year, D. M. Young, resident engineer for the State Division of Highways at the overpass project, told the Orinda Chamber of Commerce Tuesday.

Speaking at the chamber's luncheon meeting at Casa Orinda, Young said:

"With luck, the job may be finished by the end of next year. At worst, it should be completed by the middle of 1955." Young remarked that the state and the contractors are "cooperating to the fullest extent possible."

HE POINTED OUT that the contract calls for the entire project to be completed in 400 working days. This does not include Saturdays, Sundays, holidays or bad-weather days.

He was asked about mud and dirt in the Crossroads vicinity as the result of the construction job.

"The contractor causes the mud to be there; we'll see that it's cleaned up," Young promised.

PARKING COMMITTEE report was given by Ramsay Underwood, who said that R. E. Wadsworth of the committee is obtaining figures on rental and surfacing costs for two proposed parking areas — the Breed corner, across from the American Trust Company, and another lot, across from the Union Oil station.

Underwood explained that the merchants involved would finance these costs, but he asked if the chamber would be willing to handle the billing and collection, except for the original surfacing, for which the merchants themselves would do the collecting.

It was voted that the chamber undertake the billing and collection of rent and maintenance fees, after the parking committee establishes rates.

RENTAL FOR THE Breed lot would be \$50 monthly, after surfacing, \$25 monthly until surfacing is paid for, Underwood reported. Negotiations regarding the other lot have not been completed, he said.

Underwood announced that a committee meeting with the property owners and business firms involved will be held in the near future.

PRESIDENT Edwin McCord introduced the chamber's guests — Young, Zach Montgomery, new president of the Orinda Association, and Frank Cayting, chairman of the Orinda Association's incorporation study committee.

Cayting told of the efforts by his group to prepare for a factual study of probable incorporation costs and revenues.

Edible House On Display

A gingerbread house, edible from the tip of the roof to the roots of the trees in the garden, is on display in Mrs. Thom's 2nd grade room at Sleepy Hollow School.

The baked architecture was constructed during a painstaking seven hours by Mrs. John Den Dulk, 133 Sleepy Hollow Lane, who will present it to the children's ward at Highland Hospital in Oakland.

She is also baking another one, which will be given to another children's ward in some other hospital.

THE HOUSE HAS a gingerbread roof frosted with white frosting and round Necci candy wafers to give the appearance of tile. Peppermint candies outline the roof and there are green gum drops that look like little flower pots all around the house.

Climbing from the "pots" are red frosting geraniums.

THE HOUSE SITS on a large board simulating a yard and there is a tiny candy-drop path leading to the front door. A gingerbread boy and girl are walking hand-in-hand up the path, looking at gingerbread ducks and a witch.

The yard is enclosed by a ribbon candy fence with a peppermint stick gate.

Mrs. Den Dulk made a similar house last year from a pattern in McCall's magazine.

Weather Nice For Shopping

Commuter problems and Overpass construction failed to keep the weatherman from his appointed rounds this week, and with a happy Christmas season smile he announced the following weather.

There was no rain, leaving the seasonal total at 5.8 inches. Day by day temperatures were as follows:

	High	Low
December 10	58	42
December 11	62	39
December 12	61	31
December 13	65	35
December 14	62	33
December 15	59	33
December 16	65	39

Rotarians to Hold Christmas Party for Kids

The Fifth Annual Rotary Club Children's Christmas Party will be held at the Orinda Theater tomorrow at 9:30 a.m.

"Unfortunately," said Stan Massie, publicity chairman, "it will have to be limited to children in the third grade and under because of space. We have had a terrific turnout for this event."

There will be a number of cartoons, a full length feature, and of course Santa Claus in full dress with toys and candy for everyone," he added.

ROTARIANS HELD their Christmas party for grownups Wednesday at the Willows at noon. Mario "Butch" Guarnieri played a return engagement on his trumpet by popular demand and Bob Eberhart, son of Rotarian George Eberhart, played a violin solo accompanied by his mother on the piano.

Films of last summer's Demotion Party at the Ramsay Underwood home were shown.

SANTA APPEARED with a present for each Rotarian's wife and there were several students present from International House in Berkeley as guests.

George Eberhart was program chairman.

Navy Pilot Back From Eastern Tour

Ensign William E. Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Addison H. Thompson, 201 Glorietta Boulevard, returned to the United States from an extensive tour of duty in the Far East aboard the aircraft carrier USS Boxer.

Thompson is a jet fighter pilot with Task Force 77.

School to Build Manuel Hothouse

Acalanes Union High School District may soon build a hothouse for Manuel.

Superintendent Neil Parsons was authorized to look into the matter and act if he believed it advisable by the Board of Trustees last week.

Manuel, whose last name is Velasquez, has been a gardener for the district for the past 13 years, and has made several requests to the board that a hothouse be provided.

Trustee Howard Stanley told the meeting Manuel has done a "wonderful job" at Acalanes, adding he feels the district owes him a hothouse if he wants one.

Board President Carl Newbury asked if a hothouse would be a money saver for the district and was told it would be.

And the board approved a hothouse for Manuel.

Yuletide Brings Fire Danger says Koch

Fire Inspector William Koch of the Orinda Fire Department pointed out this week that Christmas season brings fire hazards along with festivities.

Here are his suggestions for a safe Yuletide season.

"The holiday season is again close at hand and with it will come the usual holiday fire hazards. To help us as well as yourselves to enjoy a safe and happy season, please follow a few simple rules:—

"Select a fresh tree, no larger than you need.

"Place the tree away from fireplaces or other heating sources, be sure that it will not block the path of egress from the room.

"IN DECORATING the tree avoid the use of flammable bunting, cotton streamers, or similar decorative material. The market affords fire retardant decorations.

"See that your light cords are in good condition, watch for worn connections.

"Do not use candles on tree.

"We have information from the State Fire Marshal's office that there is on the market a so-called fire extinguisher for Christmas trees. It consists of a glass bulb containing carbon tetrachloride which is supposedly released automatically in the event of a fire in the tree. This device is not approved by the State Fire Marshal.

"Remember January 2 is Christmas tree burning night at the Glorietta School grounds; those of you who were there last year remember the good time the cub scouts had, let's have all cubs participate this year. The shindig starts at 5 p.m.

"The members of the Orinda Fire Department join me in extending to you Season's Greetings and Best Wishes."

Deadlines Advanced One Day Next Week

Christmas Day falls on Friday next week, consequently The Contra Costa Shopping News, The Orinda SUN, The Walnut Creek SUN and The Lafayette SUN will be distributed one day earlier than usual. The SUNS will be in the mail and on the newsstands Thursday morning, and The Contra Costa Shopping News will come to your home Wednesday.

This means that if you have a classified ad you wish to place, it must be in our hands by 10 a. m.



NEWLY-ELECTED DIRECTORS of the Orinda Association board were installed at a special board meeting at Orinda School library Monday night. Left to right they are Joe F. Conley, Harold N. Neeland, Jean (Mrs. Stuart) Henderson, Harold Rote and Robert Boyle. The new and holdover directors elected Zach Montgomery president, Nathan Gray vice-president and Mrs. Henderson secretary.

— SUN Photo by Mattson

Montgomery Named President Of Association

Zach Montgomery of 6 Overhill Court was elected president of the Orinda Association Monday night.

Elected with him at a special board meeting in Orinda School library were Nathan Gray as vice-president and Jean Henderson as secretary.

Montgomery, 36, succeeds Peter Veitch, who, as outgoing president, will serve as a director-at-large during the coming year.

In 1951 Montgomery was chairman of the Civic Affairs Committee.

THE THREE 1954 officers assumed their posts immediately upon election by the board.

Prior to the choosing of officers, the five newly elected directors were installed. They are Robert Boyle, District 1; Joe F. Conley, District 2; Harold N. Neeland, District 3; Jean (Mrs. Stuart) Henderson, District 5; and Harold Rote, District 9.

All five will serve two-year terms.

HOLDOVER DIRECTORS, whose terms run for another year, are Montgomery, Gray, Frank Cayting and George Hauken.

Retiring directors are Everett Howe, Charles Blue, Mrs. T. P. Bacon Jr. and Jack Cooper.

Howe served as vice-president during the past year, and Mrs. Bacon as secretary.

TEVIS THOMPSON, reporting for the ballot committee, stated that over \$1100 in dues had been received in the joint election-membership drive. Association dues are \$2 per family per year.

The board commended Veitch for his capable leadership and hard work during 1953.

Commuters Gain Bus, Seek State Study For Lasting Solution to Problems

Following addition of a bus to the commuter run by Greyhound Monday, the Contra Costa Commuters Association sent a letter to the California Public Utilities Commission thanking them but stressing the remaining problem of a "workable load standard."

The commuter bus was added by Greyhound upon the direction of the PUC after the association had requested "immediate relief from intolerable, overloaded service existing on Pacific Greyhound Lines buses in commuter service between Contra Costa County points and Oakland and San Francisco."

THE LETTER, addressed to General R. E. Mittelstaedt, president of the PUC, said, "May we please have your assurance that this Number One problem (a workable load standard) is definitely being studied by the honorable commission."

Commuters also expressed concern with the problem of where passengers will load when the Orinda Overpass construction interferes with the present loading point.

THE "LOADING standard" is a formula arrived at by taking the daily average of available bus seats compared to passengers presenting themselves for transportation.

John McKirahan, president of the commuters group, commented that it "takes three or four months to get another bus when we need it. We have to wait weeks while more studies are made."

MCKIRAHAN EXPLAINED that the problem was particularly acute for Orinda commuters because the buses are full by the time they arrive at the Crossroads.

"It isn't so much waiting for a bus as it is trying to find a seat," he said.

The PUC answered the commuters' letter, informed them that an additional bus had been added, and said "the commission has instructed its staff to check on the adequacy of service in the future."

"WE APPRECIATE the interest of your organization and assure you that it is the objective of the commission to see reasonable service provided at all times."

Association service committee chairman Arthur R. Weatherbe of Orinda commented, however, that although another bus has been added, the Danville bus, which for the past few months has been taking overflow San Francisco commuters and carrying them, with Oakland commuters, to downtown Oakland, then continuing to San Francisco, has been cut off at Oakland.

HE SAID HE anticipated immediate overloading of the following San Francisco bus which runs 15 minutes behind the Danville bus and is already carrying a capacity load.

Regarding loading problems at the Orinda Crossroads, Weatherbe learned from J. W. Krug, local operating manager of Greyhound at Oakland, that he had no definite plans for adjustments in service to take care of Orinda passengers during construction of the Overpass.

WEATHERBE SAID it is understood that buses will not be permitted to stop at the edge of the highway, and that Orinda passengers are anxious to find out where the buses will pick them up.

Krug said he would wait until the time arrived before making a decision, but if necessary he would move the bus stop half a mile up the highway in one direction or the other.

Weatherbe commented that the

School Board to Pay \$51,190 for Pine Grove Site

A 12.16 acre portion of Pine Grove will be sold to the Orinda School District for an upper grade school site for \$59,190, providing a January 26 bond issue passes, it was announced this week.

Orinda School Board President Edgar B. Stewart said this week that he has sent the East Bay Municipal Utility District a letter confirming the purchase price.

The price is \$5000 per acre, Stewart explained, for the "so-called good land," with downward adjustment made for the land which cannot be used for building purposes.

"We also have an agreement," he added "giving us a non-exclusive right-of-way on a 60-foot strip to the northwest of the site for a road which will serve as access to the subdivision area above the site and toward Charles Hill."

The County Planning Commission approved the site for school use December 4, after receiving letters from EBMUD and the Orinda Planning Committee stating that neither objected to the use of the land for a school site.

A special bond election will be held January 26, when voters will be asked for permission to borrow from the state. If this bond issue is successful the Pine Grove land can be purchased.

A meeting will be held at Orinda School January 11 to present the facts of the bond issue.

Final agreement cannot be made until after the bond issue passes.

Eye Tests Being Given at School

A series of vision surveys are being conducted in the Orinda schools through the joint efforts of several agencies.

In an effort to determine the best vision survey which will find essentially all children needing eye attention without referring many who are normal, the following groups are cooperating in the study:

Stanford University, Medical School, University of California Optometry School, County Superintendent of Schools, County Health Department and Orinda School District.

Vision tests will be conducted by several methods and the value of each will be reviewed by further testing at Stanford and California.

Most tests will be evaluated in 1954, although some will be followed by additional years of testing.

Bowers Wills Over \$10,000

Jackson L. Bowers, 67, who died October 31 at Lake Tahoe, left his wife Margaret as his sole beneficiary in his will, according to County Clerk Malter T. Paasch.

The will was filed last week by attorney Dudley H. Nebeker of Oakland.

Bowers lived at 53 Oak Drive, as well as maintaining a home at the lake resort.

The value of the estate was described merely in "excess of \$10,000."

Bowers had been a resident of Orinda for 10 years, residing in the area and was a pioneer in the automotive field.

Rotarians Hear About Wetbacks

The Orinda Rotary Club heard Joe Olivera, Richmond policeman, discuss his experiences as a Wetback at its meeting last week at the Willows.

Program chairman was Leighton MacGregor.

Olivera told how he had gone to Mexico a few years ago on his vacation and crossed the border as a wetback just for the experience.

Pat Malvey on College Paper

1952 Acalanes graduate, Pat Malvey of Orinda, has been named assistant editor of the campus newspaper at Santa Barbara College of the University of California.

Acalanes Gives Yuletide Show

Acalanes modern dance students performed "The Pied Piper" last night in the Acalanes gym at the annual student Christmas presentation for the community.

The Acalanes band and mixed chorus were also featured. Modern dance is taught by Miss Millicent Hamburger, band and chorus by Richard Hansen.

Zoning Poll Delayed Until Early January

Orinda Chamber of Commerce's public opinion poll on future business-area planning here was delayed this week until early January, to allow more time for gathering of facts and also because it is felt the poll will be more effective after the holiday season.

Nominations Made for Orinda 'Man of Year'

Several nominations for Orinda's Man — or Woman — of the Year were made this week. All were turned over to the Man of the Year Committee, consisting of Chairman D. Ramsay Underwood, Peter A. Veitch and Mrs. Miles B. Sutcliffe.

The committee's choice will be announced in The SUN December 31. If you haven't submitted your nomination yet in this SUN-sponsored contest, get in touch with Underwood today at Orinda 6711.

Detailed descriptions of nominees will be published in next week's SUN. Here are those suggested for the honorary title:

Mrs. Robert Bigler, Rev. Fred Morrow, Donna Sigerson, Joseph Creighton, Edgar Stewart, William Penn Mott Jr., Mrs. George Yurek, Stanley Allen, Mrs. Stanley Allen, Boone Robinson.

'Two Factions' Charge Denied in Sharp Exchange

Charges that there are "two factions" in the problem of Crossroads area zoning were made Monday night by Chairman Frank Hart of the Orinda Association's Civic Affairs Committee and were vigorously denied by Stanley Allen, former association president.

The altercation occurred at the association board meeting in the Orinda School library, during discussion of the Pine Grove problem.

OBJECTING TO prominence given in the Orinda News, association publication, to a letter from Mildred H. Farrar, who opposed any business zoning of the Pine Grove and advocated acquiring the land for community purposes, Hart said:

"I have the feeling that during the past year there have been two factions — this association and the Orinda Chamber of Commerce."

ALLEN PROMPTLY retorted: "I disagree with Frank Hart that there is any wide divergence. The reflection on the Chamber of Commerce is unfair, unsubstantiated and entirely without any substance and entirely without any substance and entirely without any substance."

"The chamber has cooperated fully with the Orinda Association in this matter."

AT TUESDAY'S luncheon meeting of the chamber at Casa Orinda, Allen again denied that the chamber and the association were at cross-purposes.

"Both organizations should work closely together," he said. "Differences of opinion are only natural. But the chamber is anxious to work closely with the Orinda Association."

ZACH MONTGOMERY, new president of the association, told the chamber:

"We're not at cross-purposes. Both organizations are working for the welfare of Orinda."

Creighton promised to let Montgomery know when an effective public meeting could be held.

Last Saturday Creighton, Robinson and McFarland toured the Crossroads area, Creighton reported.

Creighton said his committee is paying Professor Violiich \$10 an hour. Some weeks ago the association authorized expenditure of up to \$150 by the Planning Committee.

"We've already obligated ourselves up to \$70 or \$80," Creighton said. "We would appreciate having some additional funds."

The board authorized the Planning Committee to spend up to a total of \$400.

Chamber and Orinda Association representatives agreed to work on the wording of the questionnaire in the meantime.

It was suggested at the chamber luncheon meeting Tuesday at Casa Orinda that Francis Violiich, associate professor of landscape architecture and lecturer in city planning at the University of California, be invited to submit questions for the poll.

VIOLICH HAS been retained by the Orinda Association's Orinda Planning Committee as a consulting adviser to that group in its current efforts to work out a satisfactory agreement with East Bay Municipal Utility District on zoning and planning of the Pine Grove and other Crossroads-area land.

Announcement that the public poll was postponed was made by Stanley Allen at the chamber session. On Monday night, at the Orinda Association board meeting at Orinda School, he had agreed to this course after discussion with Joseph Creighton, Planning Committee chairman, and association directors.

"There is no commitment about the questions to be used, but we're sure they can be agreed upon by both the chamber and the association committee," Allen told the chamber.

ALLEN SAID he felt certain the joint Orinda Planning Committee—EBMUD group would not have completed its work in time for a tentatively scheduled January 19 County Planning Commission hearing on Crossroads rezoning to be held. It has been agreed by this group and the county planners that the association-EBMUD committee will have at least three weeks' advance notice of a hearing.

Creighton reported to the Orinda Association board Monday night that the Orinda Planning Committee had met at his home the previous evening with Professor Violiich.

VIOLICH GAVE the committee a list of 24 questions, "the answers to which would give us a pretty good idea of what should be done with the central area of Orinda," Creighton said.

"Our main problem," Creighton emphasized, "is to learn what are the desires of the people of Orinda."

At the Sunday night meeting William Penn Mott Jr. was added as an alternate to the two representatives (Creighton and Boone Robinson) who are negotiating with General Manager John W. McFarland and Properties Division Manager Phil Wagner of EBMUD.

Allen told the association board that a poll questionnaire had been tentatively prepared by the chamber. Questions which had been suggested by the chamber were, in effect:

AS ORINDA GROWS and needs additional shopping facilities, which type of development would you prefer:

1. A new and complete business area at the Pine Grove?

2. Gradual extension of the present business areas in appropriate places?

"That wouldn't serve our purpose," Creighton observed.

George Hauken suggested holding a public meeting in January.

"WHEN THE TIME is right and we have all the necessary information, let's have a public meeting," Zach Montgomery, new association president, agreed.

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About our happy Country Folks

By BETTY SMITH, Guest Columnist

IT'S EASY—IT WON'T TAKE LONG—just seven typewritten pages double spaced, no margins!!! says your regular reporter Edie Bolman. Well let's see—she has about 14 words to a line (as it comes out in "The SUN"), about 80 lines to an article—we get about nine scribbled words longhand to a line—Edie has about 1100 words—we need about 120 lines, 25 lines to a page or five pages before we even start trying to type, oh me, we are all tired out now just trying to count how much we have to go—Off to press!!!!

In all womanly modesty what more can be said by your guest columnist this week in answer to Ken Morrish's remarkable epic than—"Just you wait Kenny boy until next August when it's Black Tail Deer season!" This hunting could fill columns and columns so let's play around with it awhile. Perhaps you may have noticed the thriving business at the hardware stores on Sunday mornings last month—Why?—after duck shootin' father had deposited the small job at Sunday school. He hustled off to get washers, wire, rakes, brooms, nuts, bolts, anything and everything to get all those handyman jobs done—Why?—To stack up credits with the little woman, Why?—Because it's in between duck seasons!

To name a few hustlers eager to be smiled upon by their lovelies—Jim Sharp, Steve Jensen and Ken Morrish, must have missed Tommy Bacon, Jack Fraser and Ernie Fernsten. Maybe they were getting the groceries and I'm sure Loomis Ward made some effort at getting the new house settled even though there were still 12 dozen decoys to be painted.

Just get in and work, boy!

We are sure there must be lots of clean gutters, burned leaves, swept out garages, tidied up basements and leaky faucets fixed by now—Why?—'cause the hubbies are all hard at it again.

This second season really puts the strain on all the pretty mamas. It really wreaks havoc with the family social life, why? Because it's that fun fancy, frolicsome, folksy Christmatt (as per Chaucer) time.

A sample of the parties to be enjoyed by non-duck hunters with no major problems, the duck hunters who have signed a truce, and some who come without their mates—the William Flegers are having their town friends in to see the Happy Country Folk, as are the Haywood Gathings. The Melvin Jacobs' are having some outlanders come over the hill for the annual evening of caroling. Incidentally while we are on the Jacobs', proud grandma and grandpa hope to be able to show off daughter Joan and son-in-law Pierre Pelissier's twins, Melissa and Timothy James.

They would make a beautiful sight under the Christmas tree. Problem confronting Ruth is there is only one family cradle. The army is transferring Pierre from Texas to Chicago.

The Milton Selbys are having their Christmas party and a special one this year as Jim will be telling all his friends about his new assignment for sea duty on a carrier in January. Can't seem to get off the subject of hunting, Daisy Selby says they all go pheasant shooting, she tries, but that daughter Betsy is really good. Understand Steve Jensen had daughter Stephanie and son Jonathan out after the wild birds. Also heard Nat Dodge has been taking up Bud and John, that Vic Cranston and Jim have had some shoots and Dave will have his chance during vacation. Also heard through the feather line that Ed Shuey and Dick Week had sons Grant and Lynn out over the opening.

Back to party-time again

SOMEHOW WE GOT OFF THE CHRISTMAS party line, so back to the egg nog and Tom and Jerry wagon. The Sheldon Allens are having a holiday gathering, Kay Beckett's Christmas Tea? (hot mulled wine) is becoming a yearly do. Paige MacDonald is having her annual party for Ambrose, who as a little boy, missed out on so much because his birthday comes at Christmas.

What a break for the Orinda Branch of the Children's Hospital. They gave a Christmas dinner and dance for themselves at the home of Jasmine and Steve Jensen, a fun, fun evening and no one had to sell any tickets to anyone!

SANTA CLAUS IS REALLY BUSY. He had a wonderful time with the children at the country club gift giving and candying the sub-teen set. Also gifted and candied will be the sub-teens by the Orinda Rotary Club at the Orinda Theater, movies too! That's not all, Santa and Rotary and Mr. T-Bone of the Foot Long Hot Dog Wagon will have a ticket for a free weenie for all.

The holidays will be an especially happy time for many proud parents. Myrtle and Pat Paterson say son Bill of the Third Marine Division is on his way home from Gifu, Japan and will be getting out of the service and back to Eastern Washington State. Heard that Margaret and Jap Symes' son Bob will be home in February from Frankfurt, Germany, and that Dick will get up from Texas for Christmas. Saw Libby Bradley who said Doni will be home from Electronics School at Keeler Air Force Base, Biloxi, Miss.

More kids home for holidays

Jeannette and Andy Blalock can hardly wait for Jerry to get home from officers training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio. We hope Lee Nelson will make it by New Year's from Fort Lewis, Wash., where he is a personnel specialist with the 44th Army. Bill Sparling is having an interesting session at Cornell where he is in the intelligence branch of the Air Force studying languages. It's anyone's guess where he might be sent.

UNDERSTAND DOT WOLD'S ROSS is being sent by Army Intelligence from Kansas to Massachusetts and has to report for duty at all days, Christmas Day! We all know Fireman Koch who has endeared himself to the Orinda Nursery School kiddies for years with his tour of the fire house and ride of the big red truck.

Well, his boy Bill who has seen active duty as a machine gunner in Korea is still over there with about nine more months to go, but he'll be home next Christmas. Alden and Amy Macomber's son Jim will have interesting tales to report when he gets home from sea duty in the South Pacific aboard the carrier Oriskany. Jim will spend his holiday leave seeing the sights of Japan.

Mary De Soto says John is most enthusiastic about his work as a neuro-psychiatric technician in the closed hospital ward at Elgin Air Force Base, Florida. Gordon Hooper is back from Korea although still in the Navy teaching photo interpretation which he learned aboard the carrier Princeton. So he will be with his folks for Christmas as will Dick Laney who is at Moffat Field and will take off for sea duty shortly.

BOB FOX IS HAPPY TO BE HOME for awhile. Bob is still in the Coast Guard and has just completed quite a tour, Midway, Guam, Japan and Alaska. Too bad Bob Orland can't make it home from Virginia for the holidays.

Talked to Virginia Gentry who says Tom is graduating from the Air Force Engineer School of Technology at Wright Patterson Air Base, Dayton, will be home for the holidays and then leave for duty in England. There will be many a thumping heart and beaming face among Orinda's young lovelies when these boys get home. Keith Fitch has his sweetie with him at Fort Benning as you know. He will be home with Pat and Baby Kippy in February for good.

Maybe we will fill this column yet! There are oodles of the college gang arriving home. Those we have been able to check on so far heading this way for a fun holiday are—from Oregon State Judy Lavender, Margaret Roe, Alan Bottomley, Bob Crall and Jim MacDonald. Some Stanfordites who will still be talking over the Big Game with their Cal pals—Caroline Baker, Lynn Selman, Bob Harrison, Joe Foster and Ritchie Breuer.

THOSE IN THE PETTICOAT brigade from San Jose who will be unpacking their formalis are Sally Flegler, Marilyn Davis, Ann Summers, Lee Ann Pasquini and Carol Rucker. Two tall and handsome from Santa Clara are Joe Sheaff and Dave Cranston.

There are so many Cal to and fromers. A few we see now and then who will live up the Christmas parties are Tom and Bill Morrish, Chud Gompertz, Jim Jacobus, Ray Sheets, June Derry, Carol Courtwright and Judy Woolsey. Dody Bee will be home from U.C.L.A. where she is studying apparel design, a glamorous subject for a really glamorous gal. Wonder if Joe Conley is coming home from Dartmouth and how he likes it back there. Really farther east is Ann Lankey who will be having an exciting and different Christmas in Bordeaux, France, where she is attending a university. Linda St. Hill is going skiing with the Sierra Club over New Year's. Wonder if she has made any ski trips from Humboldt State?

SOME PREP SCHOOL NEWS. Heard that Woody, son of Rosana and Jim Freeman, will be home from Andover, Peggy Gompertz will be up from Castella and Mark Jensen down from Lakeside in Seattle.

There are lots of Orineans taking off on trips, but Edie can catch that news when she returns. We had better count these words—see if there are 1100 of them. Besides the typewriter ribbon is all worn thin. It's not used to such a pouring. So that is all for now and we will get back to checking our Christmas lists to make sure we haven't forgotten anyone. We know we have forgotten to send cards, and it's too late now so we hope that all you Happy Country Folk have a most Merry Christmas and that Santa fills your stockings with all sorts of goodies.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18

Student-Faculty Yuletide Assembly, Acaalanes High School, afternoon.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19

Orinda Rotary Club Christmas Party for children, Orinda Theater, 9:30 a.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20

Shipmates, Christmas party, home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brown, 9 Orchard Rd., 8 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 21

Diablo Highway Improvement Federation, directors, home of Charles Nelson, 10 Orchard Court, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22

Boy Scout Troop 207, Scout Hut, 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23

Orinda Rotary Club, Willows, noon.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25

Christmas Day.

Yule Services

"Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord" is the sermon topic for the 8 and 11 o'clock services at the Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, as Pastor Edward R. Andersen prepares the spirit of the people for the unfolding of the Christmas story at the special candlelight services to be held on Christmas Eve at 11 o'clock and on Christmas Day at 10 a.m.

The theme of the Christmas Eve service is entitled, "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear," and includes readings from the Old and New Testament, singing of many favorite Christmas carols, a duet by Sandra Sonad and Jean Andersen and a sermon by the pastor on "How Simply God Reveals His Glory."

On Christmas Day the pastor will speak on "For Unto Us a Child Is Born." The Junior Choir under the leadership of Mrs. Ruth Andersen will sing the beautiful Christmas song, "Gloria."

Oshkosh Visitors

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Fowler and Mrs. Minerva Beebe from Oshkosh, Wis., are spending the winter with Mrs. C. Chester Brown. They say they are certainly enjoying California's sunny weather.

Shipmates to Meet Sunday Evening

The annual Christmas party of the Shipmates Club of the Orinda Community Church will be Sunday at 8 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brown, 9 Orchard Court.

Assisting them will be Mesdames Douglas Watkins, Joseph Creighton and Walter Swedberg. Carols, small gift exchanged, games and refreshments will highlight the evening.

Latest Sigerson Now Named Saxon Shane

Three-month-old Saxon Shane Sigerson responds to the name "Saxon" as well as he did to "You" or "It," according to his father, Donn Sigerson of 40 Valley Drive.

Saxon was born to Mr. and Mrs. Sigerson September 3, but he wasn't named until he was over 2 months old. Reason for this was that seven years ago, when the Sigersons' twin daughters, Sage and Stacy, were born, a name was all ready for a boy, but the arrival of two girls complicated the name-giving procedure.

So this time the Sigersons weren't spending any chances and they didn't have a name ready for the boy. Now that he is named, though, everybody's happier.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given that the Governing Board of the Orinda Union School District, Orinda, Contra Costa County, California, will receive bids for the furnishing of all labor, materials, transportation and service for the construction and completion of Glorietta School All Purpose Room and Facilities, located on Martha Road, Contra Costa County, California. Each bid to be in accordance with the plans and specifications now on file at the architect's office, 61 Moraga Highway, Orinda, California, where same may be examined and documents obtained upon deposit of \$25.00 per set, which deposit will be refunded upon the return of such copies in good condition within five (5) days after the bids are opened.

Each bid shall be made on a form to be obtained at the architect's office and must be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check or checks for (Seven Thousand Five Hundred and no/100ths Dollars) (\$7,500.00), made payable to the order of the Orinda Union School District, and shall be sealed and filed with the Secretary of the Board on or before the 13th day of January, 1954, at 8:00 p.m., and will be opened in public at 8:00 p.m. of that day in the Superintendent's office of the Orinda Union School District, Orinda, California.

The above mentioned bid security shall be given as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into a contract if awarded the work and will be retained by the District if the successful bidder refuses to enter into said contract or to furnish the necessary bonds after being requested to do so by the governing board of the Orinda Union School District.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a faithful performance bond in amount equal to 100% of the contract price and a labor and material bond in amount equal to 80% of the contract price, said bonds should be secured from a surety company satisfactory to the said board.

Bidders are notified that pursuant to the statutes of the State of California, and local law thereto applicable, the said board has ascertained the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and rates for legal holidays and overtime work in the locality in which this work is to be performed for each craft or type of workman or mechanic needed to execute the contract, which will be awarded to the successful bidder and said rates are as follows:

CRRAFTS OR TYPES OF WORKMEN	PREVAILING HOURLY WAGE
Boiler Makers	\$3.33 1/2
Boiler Maker's Helpers	2.99
Bricklayers	3.45 (8 hrs.)
Bricklayer's Hodcarriers	2.70
Carpenters	2.70
Carpet & Linoleum Layers	2.99 1/2
Cement Finishers (1 1/2 times overtime 1st 2 hrs. double thereafter)	2.67
Electrical Workers (Plus 4% vacation allowance)	3.00
Engineers (1 1/2 times overtime and Saturdays)	2.93
Blade Grader (Finish Work)	2.38
Compressor	2.38
Concrete mixer (up to one yard)	2.38
Concrete mixer (over one yard)	2.71
Hoisting on building (Material)	2.49
Oilers and Firemen	2.38
Roller Operators	2.77
Shovel Operators (up to and inc. one yard)	3.10
Shovel Operators (over one yard)	3.21
Truck Crane Engineers	2.93
Tractor Operators	2.77
Glaziers — Building Construction	2.55
Ironworkers (Structural and Bridge)	3.00
Welders	3.00
Laborers (1 1/2 times overtime, incl. Saturdays)	2.00
General	2.00
Concrete Workers (Wet and Dry)	2.00
Jackhammer Oprs. & Handlers of Pneumatic tools	2.10
Vibrators	2.10
Watchmen	2.00
Lathers (6 Hr. day)	3.50
Painters (7 Hr. day) (1 1/2 times overtime, Saturday double time)	2.70
Plasterers (8 Hrs.)	3.54
Plasterer's Hodcarriers	3.12
Flumbers (plus 20% vacation and welfare)	3.00
Roofers	2.75
Sheet Metal Workers (plus 3% vacation allowance)	2.85
Steamfitters (1 1/2 times overtime, inc. Saturdays)	3.12 1/2
Teamsters (1 1/2 times overtime, inc. Saturdays)	2.05
Under 4 yards (water level)	2.19
4 yards & less than 6 yards (water level)	2.29
6 yards & less than 8 yards	2.29
8 yards & over	2.70

Eight hours shall constitute a day's work, unless otherwise specified. The hourly wage prescribed hereinabove is the per diem rate divided by the aforementioned number of hours constituting a working day.

The said board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and/or waive any informality or irregularity in any bid received. No bidder may withdraw his bid for thirty (30) days after the date set for the opening thereof.

Dated: November 2, 1953.

GOVERNING BOARD OF ORINDA SCHOOL DISTRICT
By: JOSEPH L. SHEAFF, Secretary
O-376, Orinda Sun, December 11, 18, 1953.

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Sunday Worship Is at Theater

The Orinda Community Church will hold two services Sunday, the first at 10:30 a.m. in the Orinda Theater, and the second at 7:30 p.m. in the church chapel.

Both are traditional holiday services, this being the ninth year of the community theatre Christmas observances, and the fifth Youth Vespers conducted by members of the Orinda Pilgrim Fellowship. Ministerial leaders are the Rev. Fred R. Morrow and Raymond L. Melles.

THE STAGE OF THE ORINDA Theater becomes a worship center under the hand of Marian B. Nelson, whose decorating artistry has been responsible for these arrangements for some years.

Through the courtesy of the Hendricks Piano Company a Wurlitzer organ will be provided for organist Daniel Popovich. He will play preparatory and postlude numbers and will accompany the string duo, Louis Flenner, violin, and Laura Hudd, cello, in a Bizet "Intermezzo" as offertory.

THE ORGAN ALSO accompanies the church's chapel and junior choir, totalling some 80 voices, in choral numbers under the direction of Margaret Popovich. Congregational participation in familiar carols is provided during the service.

Reverend Morrow's sermon theme is "Don't Sell the Angels Short." The 7:30 Vespers will be conducted by candle-light, with carols and other music, readings and Scripture selections given by young people, and centering in a motion picture presentation of "The Child of Bethlehem," a seasonal film.

DURING THE CHRISTMAS SERVICES, children of fourth grade age and older are invited to attend and to be seated with their parents. All younger children will find provision for their Christmas Sunday worship and instruction in the Fellowship hall of the church.

Returned Home

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Pence of Acaalanes Road, Lafayette, returned recently from a two-week business trip to El Segundo.

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Youth to Give Yule Program

Sunday School children and teachers of the Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church will present Christmas programs at the church for the children's parents and their friends tonight and Sunday at 7:30.

Tonight children from kindergarten age through the third grade will give the program. The individual classes under the direction of Mesdames Ed Withers, Lloyd Ludwig, M. L. Shepard and Hal Engman will contribute a part of the Christmas story.

Sunday evening the older children will give a play, "The Christmas Story," under the direction of Tom Kling.

The separate classes led by their teachers, Norman Miller, Mrs. Tom Kling, J. R. Smith and R. McCannan, will support the play with Christmas carols as they fit into the Christmas story.

Mormons to Hold Special Service

A special Christmas service will be held Sunday at the regular Sunday School services of the Mormon Church at 1 p.m. in the Orinda Community Church.

All classes will be dispensed with so the children may join with their parents and friends to enjoy the special program being prepared under the direction of Samuel W. Scott of the Branch Presidency.

Residents of the area are cordially invited to join this special service.

St. Stephen's to Hold Festivities

Members of St. Stephen's Church School will present the Nativity Pageant Sunday at the Orinda Community Church at the regular Church service hour of 5 o'clock. It will be directed by Mrs. Stuart Henderson and every member of the Church School will participate.

Samuel Hubbard Jr. will read the prophecy of the coming of the Messiah according to Isaiah. Donald Hill will sing "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus" and Mike Bigler will use "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear" as a vocal solo.

JOSEPH WILL BE PORTRAYED by David Brown and Mike Bigler. Whenever "abba," Albert, the Guardian Angel, Shepherds will be Leland Schlenker, Douglas Moorehead and Reginald Barrett.

The children will offer at the altar their gifts of food which will be used to cheer needy families.

William Bushnell and Captain H. W. Pillsbury, Church School officials, will receive the gifts and place the candles on the altar, The Reverend Charles M. Hill, Vicar, will give the Blessing.

THE CHRISTMAS EUCHARIST will be celebrated at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, at 11:30 p.m. Thursday, according to Rev. Hill.

The lovely Sanctus from St. Cecilia's Mass will be sung as an offertory, Mrs. T. J. Fahay, organist and choir director, announces that the music this year will be exceptionally attractive with a 25 voice choir. The Community Church will be entirely lighted with candles and appropriate decorations will be arranged by St. Stephen's Altar Guild and the Woman's Auxiliary.

Guild Group Hears Of Antonia Brica

Section 2 of the Women's Guild of the Orinda Community Church had one of its finest meetings of the year recently at the home of Mrs. John Gilmore, Steep Hollow Lane.

In the devotional period Mrs. Challis Gore reviewed the inspiring book "Teach Us to Pray" by Charles Francis Whiston. Mrs. Murray Groves followed with a talk on the work and accomplishments of Antonia Brica, her friend of many years, who during the winter leads the Denver Symphony Orchestra and in the summer is the guest leader of symphonies in some of the leading musical centers of Europe.

She spoke of Antonia's personal friends with whom she confers whenever abroad. Albert, the Guardian Angel, Shepherds will be Leland Schlenker, Douglas Moorehead and Reginald Barrett.

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Guild Holds Party, Names New Officers

The recent Christmas party of the Women's Guild of Orinda Community Church was attended by 100 members and their friends.

Fellowship hall had been decorated with pine boughs, Christmas ornaments, cones, and garlands of tinsel. On the table in front of which was a revolving Christmas tree set on a music box that played carols as the tree turned.

The new table was covered with a lovely lace cloth, the gift to the Guild by the two past presidents and the one next to be installed.

THE MEETING was opened with a brief business meeting with Mrs. Fred Twining presiding. Mrs. Don Anderson gave a nomination report which was accepted and the secretary asked to cast the vote for the following officers for 1954:

President, Mrs. Robert Brown; vice president, Mrs. D. L. Watkins; recording secretary, Mrs. Joe Creighton; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. H. Van Daff; treasurer, Mrs. D. P. Krotz; auditor, Mrs. William H. Moody; historian and publicity, Mrs. G. Chester Brown; program, Mrs. John Gilmore; devotion, Mrs. W. C. Branch; membership, Mrs. F. B. Hornbrook; philanthropy, Mrs. Jesse McMillan and Mrs. R. H. Usinger; commissioner, Mrs. Verna Ramsey; nominating chairman, Mrs. Richard Hafner; thank offerings, Mrs. A. W. Elkinton; adviser, Mrs. Fred Twining; and means chairman, Mrs. A. J. Sassone for the spring card party, and Mrs. A. S. Hartinov for the June luncheon.

THEY WILL BE installed at the January meeting.

Mrs. Twining then thanked Mrs. Ed Nelson for the lovely decorations, and Mrs. Moody and members of section one for planning the party and serving the refreshments. The program was opened with Mrs. John Ogden's telling the Bible story of the Nativity in a most reverent and inspirational manner.

Mrs. Charles Blue, program chairman, introduced the talented Hon. Lucille Fahay, who delighted their

STORK CLUB....

HAYDEN BRIDWELL
Hayden Lloyd Bridwell was born December 9 to Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Bridwell Jr., 62 Meadow View Road. He made his entrance at Peralta Hospital in Oakland and weighed 7 pounds 3 ounces. He has two sisters, Christine, 5, and Claudia, 4, and is the grandson of the H. H. Bridwells and Lloyd Farrars, both of Orinda. Great Grandmother Mrs. Cora Morgan lives in Orinda, too.

BRUCE LEONARD
A second son, Bruce Edward Leonard, was born to Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Leonard, 25 Irving Lane, Friday, November 13, at Herrick Hospital in Berkeley.

The Leonards are new residents in Orinda, moving here from Oakland July 27.

Black's Market Enjoys Yule Party

Black's Market management and employees took time off from the cares of the day and enjoyed a Christmas party Tuesday night at Casa Orinda.

A buffet supper was served after cocktails and groups danced throughout the evening.

One employee commented "everybody had a fine time and we couldn't have broken up any later without breaking the law."

audience with three charming numbers.

MRS. HEWITT KENDALL then gave two fascinating readings, the first, "My Most Miserable Christmas" by Lincoln Steffens, and "Let's Keep Christmas" by Peter Marshall.

While the hostesses prepared the refreshments the group sang carols led by Mrs. Dan Popovich. Then from both sides tables coffee, tea, mints, and open faced sandwiches were served.

Not only had Guild members come for an anticipated pleasant evening's program, but also to bring Christmas gifts for bed patients in the county hospital in Martinez and their thankoffering boxes whose contents were for philanthropy here and abroad.

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Happy Birthday

KAREN BAILLIE
A fourth birthday celebration was held Tuesday at her home, 130 Sleepy Hollow Lane, by Karen Baillie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul J. Baillie. The little guests included Barbara Miller, Chrissy Kay, Sally Kocher, Gail Kocher, Reidun Baillie and the mothers.

JANIE SEAMAN
Happy birthday to Janie Seaman, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James R. Seaman, 19 St. James Court, who celebrated her 8th birthday November 20. Janie had an after school birthday party with the theme "Thanksgiving in decorations." Her guests enjoyed comic movies and birthday cake with ice cream. Guests included Patty Wyatt, Christine Block, Clarine Dawson, Kathy Bechtol, Susy Barkley, Roni Rasmussen, Terry Kohler, Kitty Wilber and Roxanne Tess.

GORDIE SEAMAN
On December 1, Gordie Seaman, Janie's brother, celebrated his 6th birthday with an after school Christmas birthday party. The boys played games and had many prizes as well as refreshments. Guests included Randy Smith, Bill Sutcliffe, Robby Penney, Rickie Fiset, Bob Riddell, Bob Wyatt, John Barkley, Kenny Bechtol, Kit Seaman and Janie Seaman.

STEVE CANTRILL
A happy birthday to Steve Cantrill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil E. Cantrill, 2 Tarry Lane, who celebrated his 8th birthday November 28. His school friends enjoyed a birthday lunch after which they all attended a movie. Guests were Paul Locklin, Frank Hibbard, Dick Sutcliffe, Greg Starkman, Ronald Winkler, Jack Witter, Garth Huddelson, Philip Gardner and Bryan Cantrill.

JOAN RADONICH
Joan Radonich, 72 Orchard Road, celebrated her 10th birthday by having a few of her friends in for lunch and a movie.

Guests included Claire Cianciarulo, Joanne Hall, Susan Kronke, Jan Miller, Connie Raymond, Mary Ann Rodden, Diana Rosina, Donna Rosina and Nancy Radonich.

Please write us news about your family, friends, clubs and interesting events. If you see something important, call us at once.

Guild Section Two Holds Yule Party

Section 2 of the Orinda Community Church Guild met at the home of Mrs. Jesse Long, 22 South Trail, December 8 to sing Christmas carols and hear a reading "Amahl and the Night Visitors," by Mrs. Kirk Miles.

The living room was decorated with a tree and the dessert course was served from a beautifully decorated table.

Mrs. E. D. Howe and Mrs. Gloria Westerfield were assisting hostesses. Mrs. E. A. Dawson led the business meeting, devotions were given by Mrs. A. W. Elkinton and Mrs. Alfred Johnson was named chairman for the coming year.

Mrs. A. C. Flenner accompanied the singing on her violin. The January meeting will be at the home of Mrs. A. W. Elkinton, with Mrs. E. A. Dawson and Mrs. R. E. Schreiber assisting.

Seafarers Hold Christmas Party

The Seafarers had a jolly Christmas party recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Carroll on Lost Valley Road.

Assisting the hostess were Mesdames Idress Abbott, E. J. Kuenzli and Fred Morrow who served tea and coffee, and the shelling of six and candies from a tea table which featured a Christmas sugar-plum tree, candles and Christmas ornaments.

Aside from a brief business meeting in which the Log was read by Mrs. Carrie Brown, attention was called to the two crapemyrtle trees planted near the Chapel in memory of Chester Brown, Dr. and Mrs. Murray Groves were voted skippers for 1954.

Fred Morrow initiated a number of games requiring imagination, dexterity, agility or memory, all played with lots of laughter and enthusiasm. Prize winners were Charles Pimentel, Ruth Wilson and Irene Marshall.

Ralph Wilson invited the group to his home on Canon Drive for the January 8 meeting.

Creightons Return

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Creighton of 36 Moraga Via and their sons, Howard, 8, Jackie, 5, and Ricky, 3, returned home recently from a 10-day auto trip in which the main spot was Tucson, Ariz.

Orioles Enjoy Anniversary Tea At Harrer Home

The Seven Oaks Circle home of Mrs. T. M. Harrer, president of the Orinda Orioles, on Sally Ann Road, Orinda, was the setting last week for the third anniversary tea by members of the unit.

Lovely refreshments were served to over 50 guests, who also enjoyed the delightful readings of Mrs. Margaret Beck of Walnut Creek.

Her selection of Oscar Wilde's "The Happy Prince" was beautifully given and expressed the true spirit of the Christmas season.

Richard Wetzel, executive director of Mt. Diablo Therapy Center, brought the group up to date on the current activities and some recent changes that have taken place at the Center. He reported that the goal in the building fund drive has considerably passed the halfway mark.

The Orioles presented Wetzel with a check for \$500, for operating expenses of the Center.

There will be no further meeting of the Orioles until January, when plans will be formulated for activities to run through the spring months.

Orinda Reservist Awarded Medal

Lt. Col. William K. Houston of Orinda was presented with the Air Force Reserve Medal by Col. Justin G. Knowlton, 9441 VAR Squadron Commander, at the regular Thursday evening meeting last week. The Air Force Reserve Medal was presented to Col. Houston in recognition of successfully completing 10 years service.

Party Hunts Bird Near Arbuckle

Pheasant hunting has occupied the time of many local people over recent weekends.

Dr. Cliff Johnson, Bill Magrath, Fred Von Guenther, John Loop, Tom Brown, Dick McIntyre and Henry Dikkers all trekked to Arbuckle to seek the wily fowl.

The only comment forthcoming was from Bill Magrath, who said "Some did well, some not so well — on the whole, it was good."

No. 5, Orinda No. 8, Orinda No. 9, Orinda No. 12, Orinda No. 13, Orinda No. 14, Orinda No. 17, Orinda No. 18.

POLLING PLACE therein shall be at Gloriaetta School.

OFFICERS OF ELECTION: ELIZABETH BADGLEY, Inspector

MYRTLE TARANTO, Judge

LILA AXELSON, Judge

That said Election is to be held in accordance with the provisions of the Education Code of the State of California governing said Election.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands this 16th day of November, 1953.

CATHERINE SCHWARCK

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Members of Governing Board of Orinda Union School District of Contra Costa County, California.

O-379, Orinda Sun, Dec. 18, 24, 31, 1953.

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Scout Salute..

Pack 212 Has Gala Yuletide Party

Orinda Cub Scout Pack 212 held its annual Christmas party last Friday at the Community Church. The meeting began with the singing of "The Boys from Pack 212," followed by the introducing of two new boys who wish to join Cub Scouting: Bobby Blue and Ricky Oltmann.

Three boys, George Hauer, Steven Greathouse and Mike Gilmore, were inducted into the Pack with the presentation to their parents of Bobcat pins.

Each Denner read a report of his Den's activities since the last Pack meeting. Steve Dunlap, Den 5, made the first report of that new Den.

THE FOLLOWING BOYS were accompanied by a parent when he received his major award: Richard Anderson, Don Flenner, Bruce Bromley and Gary Center. A special ceremony was held for Doug Ellinger who received the highest award given in Cub Scouting: the Webelos Badge. As the overhead lights were turned off, Bruce Howard, Cubmaster, lighted the candles representing the steps, Wolf, Bear and Lion, which Doug had taken before receiving this high award. Then Doug lighted the last candle depicting the Webelos. Bruce Howard gave the award to Doug's mother who presented it to her son.

Arrows were presented to the following boys: Gary Center, Don Flenner, Bobby Ross, Roger Roos, Gary Swedberg, Roger Hoyer, John Thurston and Bruce Bromley.

STEVE DUNLAP and **BRUCE WILKE** received Denner Stripes: Tommy Fiske, Scotty Huntley and Laurie Chapple received Assistant Denner Stripes. Bruce Bromley, Ricky Merriam and Bruce Wilke received One-Year Pins; and Tommy Kirby, Gary Swedberg, Roger Hoyer and John Thurston received Two-Year Pins.

The untimmed Christmas tree was brought in by John Dunlap, and with each Den Mother assisting, the boys trimmed the tree with ornaments which they had made. The tree is to be given to the Church.

The ornaments of Den 1 were silver-painted walnuts strung in clusters; Den 2 placed on the tree angels made from pie plates; Den 3 put on string popcorn; Den 4's ornaments were decorated balls and tin can lids cut into designs and decorated with glitter and sequins; Den 5 hung on the tree bells made from Dixie cups covered with colored tape; Den 7 added canes made from colored pipe cleaners, paper cutouts and twisted openers from tin cans; Den 12 ended the tree decorating by putting on clusters of bells shaped from tin can tops with tiny bells inside.

THE FESTIVITIES continued with a skit given by Den 7, which sang "Jingle Bells" to the accompaniment of Laurie Chapple on the drums, Roger Hoyer, Bruce Bromley and Gary Swedberg at the piano, and John Thurston on the clarinet. After one chorus, all guests and Cubs joined in.

As each Denner was handed a lighted Christmas candle, the lights were turned off, and led by the Cubmaster, all sang "Oh, Little

Projects to Aid Weimar Children

Mrs. Doris Fernsten, neighborhood chairman for the Gloriaetta and Moraga Del Rey Brownies, is proud of their Christmas projects.

Mrs. Marie Driscoll, assisted by Mrs. Lonnie Currier, had Troop 123 make scrap books out of muslin sheeting tied together with colored yarn.

Troop 12, led by Mrs. Charlotte Messersmith and assisted by Mrs. Mildred Law, and the third grade troop led by Mrs. Sarah Raymond, assisted by Mrs. Gwen Garden, also made cloth scrap books for the patients of Weimar.

FOURTH GRADE Brownies all made tray favors which were nut cups decorated with Christmas trees, snow men, and various holiday patterns. Troop 184, lead by Mrs. Katherine Kooreman, assisted by Mrs. June Beconcini; Troop 190, led by Mrs. Dorothy Pearson, assisted by Mrs. Frances Doty and Troop 170, led by Mrs. Edith Niosi, and assisted by Mrs. Lucille Anthonisen and Troop 197 led by Mrs. Marge Bregar have all supplied Weimar with these cheerful favors.

Third and fourth grade Brownies have collected dozens of funny books and children's books to send to Weimar this weekend.

MRS. JUNE BECONCINI will be Area Chairman for the Diablo Valley County drive next spring.

December 7, Mrs. Arthur White's seventh grade Troop 74 held a Folk Dancing party at Mrs. Otto Schradler's on Orchard Road. All mothers were invited and the girls taught them one of the folk dances.

Party Planned for Blind Youngsters

The Orinda Estrallita chapter of the Lighthouse Association will hold a Christmas party for blind children Monday at a member's home.

Anyone knowing a blind child who would like to attend is asked to call Mrs. Jeff Young, president, Orinda 3402.

Santa Claus will be there and there will be carols, games and refreshments.

Cubs and Toys

A Christmas party was the feature attraction of the December 4 meeting of Cub Pack 211 at Orinda Community Church.

Stephen Cantrill received his Bobcat award and joined Den 1 and Steven Baker was welcomed as a transfer to Den 7.

Presenters for children in the county hospital were brought by the boys and are being saved for a mass delivery.

A request was made for any used or new clothing or toys for children of all ages and may be brought to Dr. Stark's residence, 555 Manzanita Drive for delivery to the hospital.

New Reservists

Gary H. Overton and Gerald J. Orland have recently joined Naval Reserve Surface Division 12-4 in Alameda.

Gary is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard G. Overton, 1014 Dyer Drive, Lafayette. Gerald is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Orland, 20 Orchard Road, Orinda.

Commanding officer is Lieutenant Commander H. A. Steinbach, 1067 Glen Road, Lafayette.

Ogden in Hospital

John Ogden, owner of Ogden's Tween Togs, is in Kaiser Foundation Hospital in Walnut Creek where he is being treated for a stomach ailment.

He will return home for Christmas, but will go back to the hospital after the holidays for an operation.

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PATTER ON THE PARTY LINE

By PATRICIA JELTON

IF YOU WERE A MEMBER of Orinda Branch of Children's Hospital and had gathered a couple of hundred ladies at the Orinda Country Club to listen to San Francisco florist Mr. Norman Marcus instruct in the intricacies of making holiday arrangements, well, if you were, and were about to have a nightmare, what's the most gruesome thing you could dream up? Why, that the speaker wouldn't show up, naturally.

And, my dears, he didn't! When Ramona MacDonald telephoned the gentleman at the time designated for the lecture to begin, gentleman insisted lecture was to be on the following day.

Well, the assembled guests were a well-tempered sort, and inclined toward a little give and take, but they were definitely not about to sit there for 24 hours, so Mr. Marcus was importuned by Madam MacDonald to gather his wits and the tools of his trade and just rustle his bustle over to Orinda.

A good man, and he showed!

So the gentleman finished up what he was doing, which was arrangements for two luncheon parties and display for the Mark Hopkins Hotel, and hyped on over.

Luckily the branch members most fortunate in type guests, who soon became filled with Christmas spirits and used the elapsing time for reflection and chit chat. Upon arrival, Mr. Marcus concocted some very nice arrangements which he auctioned off and turned over all proceeds to the hospital.

Dr. Walter Heil, director of the DeYoung Museum, is next on the agenda coming up on January 19, and knowing of the possible professional propensity for absent mindedness, members are seriously considering stashing him away in the club the night before. They haven't been so undone since they ran out of pig at that Lulu.

SPEAKING OF MUSEUMS, wasn't that a lovely Christmas luncheon at the San Francisco museum prior to the symphony last Friday? Amazing how well and quietly they serve that many people during the caroling by the choir boys.

Ference Frissary's selections pleasing to everyone, and the Frank Martin number for strings, with solo selections for harp, piano and harpsichord truly a delight.

We're all going to have an opportunity to support our symphony orchestra as soon as Nan Shapiro, who sat behind us, gets the holiday season behind her. She is in charge of organizing the Contra Costa area for the effort.

Many of the museum members totting along bits and bables of Christmas decor picked up at the Christmas Tree display.

And speaking of Christmas trees, Pat and Bob Smith gathering the clan to insure en masse arrival at the Claremont Hotel for the cocktail preview of the hospital's Festival of Christmas Trees. Which for some reason or another brought forth the following lament from your correspondent.

The poetic muse is a-musin', what!

A Christmas tree is a Christmas tree, mais oui, say you; mais non, say we. Be it redwood or be it Ming, the Christmas tree was a sometime thing.

The dream of our youth of the high, bushy conifer spiraled with tinsel, we're afraid is most done for. From what we have gandered in exhibitions on view, appears that the make-ups more plastic than yew.

Much recommended to grace our Yule homes is a bare, barky branch hung with wish-bones. A paraplui turned upside down was the contribution from our home town.

Pa burdens his tree with small bottles of booze, while Ma's containers are filled with Tabu's. Full-fashioned from mink I. Magnin thinks pleasant, with tails from the rodent more suited to peasant.

Crimson's passe, magenta's ole, furs, feather, and glitter and paint, the world is your oyster, as far as your choiceter, objective to look what it ain't.

Oh, Christmas tree, where can you be? Oh, Christmas tree, come back to me!

We're convulsed with grief at this point, and simply can't go on. Care to step in and try a few bars for yourself?

We are also convulsed with fatigue from getting feet wet (nose, too, we suspect) at all the merry parties ushering in the holiday season. However, we promised fellow news-men, Edie Bolman, that we'd carry on while she relaxes with the bikini and martini set in the unseasonal sunshine at Smoke Tree Ranch in Palm Springs.

A real fine party at the Dailey's

Such a fun gathering, on Saturday evening at the lovely home of Dick and Bea Dailey, so well adapted for large parties. Nice to see neighbors Tom and Mary McGuire back from jaunt to Miami Beach, Nassau and New York where they took in all the shows.

We do think, however, that they could have gone to Bermuda instead, to gander the recent important goings-on, thereby affording us a scoop to impress the boss.

Tom and Sadie Moran entertaining the assemblage with anecdotes of their recent three months tour of Europe. The Morans always newsworthy what with their many interesting activities plus those of their five youngsters.

Tom reminded Dr. George McClure that it was 20 years ago that the able doctor removed an open safety pin from the esophagus of daughter Virginia who was nine months old. At that time Dr. George was the only available technician sufficiently skilled to handle the tools and instruments necessary for such feat.

That's carrying moving pretty far

Also picked up the following unusual information—that the Barney Rocca's new tennis court was removed bodily from the Moran's Seven Oaks Ranch. Next thing we know, we'll be calling the Harvey Lyon Company to come get the swimming pool and tote it away for winter storage.

Reminiscing about the old days in Happy Valley with Roy and Mary King, and conjecturing about attire with Gladys and Dr. Fletcher Taylor for their coming New Year's Eve soiree. It's to be a come-as-you-suppressed-desire affair, which suggests ramifications rampant.

Hear about the new pool from Ed and Margaret Louis of Panoramic Way. The Louis' have the makings of true valley kamaainas, they are that enthusiastic. Wish Ed could set up one of his famous Louis store in the basement so we wouldn't have to cross that highway. Evening climaxed with cake and champagne to celebrate natal day of host Dick.

Which story turned out to be best?

On Sunday evening Mildred and Dr. Rolland Brown repeated their hospitable gesture of last week. That group chosen mostly from medical ranks, with this Sunday evening exhibiting mostly local gang of debaters.

As you entered the door you passed the incorporation group—question, to be or not to be?—through the political—who's to run?—and on to the most widely attended gahering around Dr. Bennett contesting as to who knew the best psychiatrist story. Bennie has just had his most recent book accepted for publication by the University of California.

Chatting with the Frank Negus' who on the day before Christmas are moving from their Orinda home to Pine Lane where Mrs. Negus will be next door neighbor to her sister Alice, who is Mrs. Henry Kaiser.

THIS WILL EVEN UP the score for Hidden Valley's loss of the Victor Bergerons. Helen and Vic purchased the Ballinger home off Miner Road with its beautifully landscaped gardens.

The Browns' lovely place really should be on a holiday house tour, it's that festive. What with Mildred being a talented decorator, it's always a treat to view the home, but in its holiday finery a dream.

Advance Christmas gift of French gold candelabra with backdrop of hand-oven Italian draperies vying for attention with the Siamese cat decked with Christmas balls relaxed on foot stool. "Bet Rolly gave him a shot to get him to lie so still," opines Lorna Ley.

A Christmas tree of real live proportions, split in half and attached to wall above the fireplace, hung with snow balls of white plastic lavishly covered with snowflake mosaic patterns of gold and jewels, each tiny piece affixed with tiny gold pin. Mildred started work on these last June.

Carl Fritsch Tells of Thanks

Carl H. Fritsch this week expressed his thanks to his neighbors and friends for their condolences at the death of his wife, Edna Mae Fritsch, last week in an automobile accident.

He also expressed the gratitude of his family for the expressions of friendship they had received.

"My wife had many wonderful friends," he said, "and we appreciate the things they have done very much, and I want them all to know how we feel."

He added that letters and telegrams had been received from all over the country. Mrs. Fritsch's brother, Conrad M. Krause of Caspar, Wyoming, wired but was unable to fly out in time for the funeral held last Friday.



CHRISTMAS AT WEIMAR Sanitarium will be joyful for the youthful tubercular patients there, thanks to the efforts of the Women for Weimar, local area group. At the Weimar barrel in the Sprouse-Reitz store in Orinda, members of Girl Scout Troop 128 deposit toys. Left to right are Scouts Susan Dunshee and Janet Lucas, Mrs. Owen Jones and Joyce Bailey and Sandra Jones. The girls of Troop 128 decorated the barrel. Mrs. Jones helped Mrs. Dan Lucas, troop leader, in guiding this project.

— SUN Photo by Mattson

Mrs. Snedeker to Travel to Islands

Marie E. Snedeker, Lafayette realtor, will leave tomorrow for Honolulu to spend the Christmas holidays with her son Frank and his family.

She expects to be gone a month and will tour the islands with her son, who is a pilot for Aloha Air Lines.

Her office will be under the direction of Mrs. Robert J. Hozier and Maude Kulstad during her absence.

Students Home for Yule Holidays

Christine Johnson of Upper Happy Valley, Marion Troyer of Lafayette and Rosemarie Songe of Concord returned home this weekend from the Westwood Campus of the University of California at Los Angeles to spend the Christmas holidays with their families.

The three girls, all affiliated with the Eta Delta Chapter of Phi Mu sorority, were graduated from Acalanes High School in 1952.

At present, they are second year students at U.C.L.A.'s school of theater arts, which is closely connected with the motion picture, radio and television field in Southern California.

They plan to cut short their Christmas holidays to return to Pasadena in time to root for the U.C.L.A. Bruins in the Rose Bowl game on New Year's Day.

No Special Census

Counties are specifically prohibited from using special census figures in getting state apportionments, Contra Costa County Taxpayers Association revealed this week.

Nursery School Holds Bake Sale

Visions of sugar plums, gingerbread houses, cookies and cakes will be waiting to greet shoppers tomorrow morning when the Lafayette Cooperative Nursery School has its Christmas cake sale at Shoo-Time Shopping at 9:30 a.m., according to Mrs. P. H. Jennings.

She announced that Christmas cookies, pies, cakes, gingerbread houses, fruit cakes, bread and brownies will be for sale. Mrs. Jennings will be assisted by Mesdames L. J. Pino, C. Steding, Lester Hink, W. C. Spertzer, Johnson Clark, D. Fleckenstein, C. Rasmussen and K. J. Woodward.

Members donating bakery goods are Mesdames Edward Rosston, Paul R. Amoson, Grant Harrison, H. F. Goodman, Bruce Stringer, R. E. Crouse, Fletcher Young, William F. Phillips, A. F. Lovelace, J. H. Loebner, H. W. Colditz, Charles B. David, Edgar Bishop, D. G. Johnston, Thomas Kling, Lee Peake, P. W. Skelton, Neil Faulkner, R. H. Straten, R. G. Stahl and E. E. Cropsey.

Last Rites Held For Paul Bowley

Services were held last Friday at the Little Chapel of the Flowers in Walnut Creek for Paul D. Bowley, 36, of 1140 Upper Happy Valley Road.

He died December 8 in a Walnut Creek hospital. He was a native of Indiana and a member of Alamo Lodge No. 122, F.&A.M.

Surviving are his widow, Grace Bowley and a daughter, Mrs. Jacqueline Beverly of Los Angeles.

Services were under the auspices of the Masonic Lodge.

Cookies Exchanged By Neighbors

Many of the families on Marianne Drive in Acalanes Valley are enjoying a wide variety of cookies this week as a result of the "cookie exchange" which took place at the home of Mrs. William Link last Wednesday.

Each person attending brought five dozen cookies and exchanged them for cookies baked by others. Among those who enjoyed sampling some of the cookies on the spot with their coffee or tea were Mesdames Effie Casselman, Ethel Clark, Marshall Clements, Channing Jones, Robert A. Grieve, Albert Parker, Jack Bickerdike, Fred Klinkner, Walter Craig and Jack Currier.

Please write us news about your family, friends, clubs and interesting events. If you see something important, call us at once.

Christmas Season Ever

"This is going to be the biggest Christmas the children at Weimar have ever had—and the biggest year, I feel sure," said Mrs. Roger Dexter, chairman of Women for Weimar.

Women for Weimar is a volunteer organization which provides toys, recreation and friendship for the many young tubercular patients at Weimar Sanitarium near Colfax.

THE DRIVE FOR TOYS and games for Christmas ends this afternoon and two women will drive to Weimar Sunday to distribute the presents. Boxes are located in Dime and Dollar in Lafayette and Sprouse-Reitz in Orinda for the deposit of presents and toys.

"We have had wonderful response from all kinds of people," Continued Mrs. Dexter. "Scouts in Pleasant Hill, Lafayette and Orinda have done a fine job, as well as many individuals and business and professional people."

GIRL SCOUTS and Brownies have been baking cookies and filling stockings and Cub Scouts have made lots of toys for the children. "We have had so many gifts donated that we are going to have two cars full, and that is the first time that has happened," she added.

However, Mrs. Dexter expressed a need for more presents for teenagers. "We are very thankful for the gifts we have received for the smaller children," she said, "but it is the older ones who are hard to provide for, especially the teen-age boys."

WE NEED LOTS of playing cards, men's toiletries, and books are good, of course. Lying in bed as they are, they also like to make models—just any kind, cars, boats, airplanes—things to keep their fingers busy and their minds happy. "And they can use handicraft like toiletries, too, and jewelry and cosmetics with which to pretty themselves up. They can both use stationery. Also good are these oil painting kits where they can color in the numbers. We could use more of those for both girls and boys."

THE ORGANIZATION, headed by

Mrs. George Vurek, is made up of active women from all the communities in Central Contra Costa County. In addition to Mrs. Dexter, Mrs. Robert Diehl and Mrs. George Klement are assisting.

The SUN, which has helped sponsor the program, will gladly accept any cash contribution which will be forwarded to Women for Weimar. There is a need for toys and games throughout the year, not only at Christmas time.

Judy Baldwin Will Continue at U.C.

Judy Baldwin, 1001 Delores Drive, will complete her undergraduate education at the Santa Barbara campus of the University of California.

Party Tomorrow

A Christmas tree decorated with handmade ornaments will greet young guests attending Lafayette Homelands Association's Christmas party tomorrow afternoon from 2 to 4 at the Town Hall. Invitations were issued last week to all Homelands children from the age of 2 through twelve years.

John Whitehouse will be master of ceremonies for a program featuring a German band, singers, dances and movies. Melvin Simpson and Steve Holland will show five movie shorts.

Other Homelands members working on the arrangements are Mesdames Mark Scalietti, Mel Cecchini and A. K. McLean, decoration; T. E. Andereggen and John Doane, refreshments; Bryce Simpson, gifts; Kenneth Bone and George Neill, entertainment; John Helm, Albert Hart, Francis Brooks and Robert Ayres, invitations.

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Orinda Garden Club Enjoys 'Christmas by Candlelight'

By PAGE MACDONALD

Christmas made an early appearance last week at the home of the Richard W. Breuners on Miner Road in Orinda with the annual "Christmas by Candlelight" party given by Orinda Garden Club.

The festive motif was set by the long driveway and the mailbox flaunting its pine decoration topped with a large red bow — done by Mrs. C. Walter Cole.

A PINE SPRAY WITH cones and red ribbon was done by Mrs. William Fleeger.

A gold tree espaliered on the patio window was done by Mrs. Fred Crawshaw and Mrs. James North. It gave the appearance of a single unit, half inside and half outside. It was gold sprayed and used small gold beads, unusual ornaments and tiny lights for decoration.

In the long loggia guests were greeted by the glimmer of many candles. Mrs. William Everts combined cranberry candles treated with glitter glass, ornaments and bunches of grapes in purple, green and cranberry shades for an outstanding arrangement. Mrs. C. Walter Cole used a metal cloth background with tones of copper and silver for her wreath of pine cones sprayed with glitter.

MRS. JEFFERSON LARKEY used holly and red ribbon with two glass candelabras holding red candles. Mrs. Edward Dorstensen had sprayed red berries with frost and used them with frosted white pine and white candles in a table arrangement. Mrs. Dorstensen had also used cedar in a wooden tub combined with apples and small birds and complete with Santa Claus.

In the living room, the mantle was done by Mrs. Milton Selby and Mrs. Hayward Gathings. They used a gold angel, reindeer and holly. Mrs. Leon Moolsey had a most unusual angel for her display entirely made by hand — from the wax face to the fluffy tinsel costume. Mrs. R. H. Laney did a small tree made of alabaster with butterflies perched in the branches. Mrs. Thomas Barrows used antique glass combined with holly, red candles and red ornaments for her arrangement.

Mrs. Thomas St. Hill did a table arrangement of an old fashioned farm house scene.

MRS. A. W. BOWEN had an angel choir for her display. Mrs. Robert Bolman had small silver containers filled with violets and pink roses while Mrs. David Wallace used a modern mobile in pink, blue and mauve.

Mrs. Paul Pollaczek combined driftwood with small angels while Mrs. Edward Russ displayed a Della Robia wreath with a green candle and a silver wreath of small leaves. Mrs. Donald Bagley used laurel leaves and red ornaments for her wreath while Mrs. Edward Rogers used holly in a wrought iron container with a red candle.

Mrs. Lester Gease used a gold mesh plate for her arrangement of holly and red berries.

IN THE DINING ROOM, Mrs. Dorothy Lamb was responsible for the arrangement of brown laurel leaves, brown cones and succulents used as a centerpiece for the tea table.

Mrs. Lonnie Bee did a Christmas angel tree lighted with small lights and using hand made angels and red bows. Mrs. Arthur Johnson used a madonna on a gold background. Mrs. Theodore Beckett did a tree using red bows, red lights and white ornaments while Mrs. Ernest Spigel did a mobile tree suspending gold reindeer from the branches.

Mrs. Norris Wiggins and Mrs. Joseph Ripley used a red ribbon basket filled with small pine cones complete with angels in red satin dresses.

MRS. WILLIAM MORDY used a green sleigh with pine, small green

ornaments and a Santa Claus for her arrangement while Mrs. Kenneth Courtwright combined pine, pine cones, ornaments and candles in shades of burgundy, dull blue and purple.

Mrs. Joe Conley did a tree of redwood with a natural moss base. Mrs. Pedersen and Mrs. Grimes filled twin bowls with succulents combined with small ornaments in pink tones while Mrs. William Foster used pine cones and candles in shades of green and gold.

Mrs. Fred Mulvaney and Mrs. Edward Merrill were responsible for two very unusual arrangements. Mrs. Merrill used fresh fruit sprayed gold in a black bowl while Mrs. Mulvaney used gilded apples in a garland of lemon leaves.

MRS. EDGAR STEWART decorated her mother's wedding bell with ornaments and tinsel. Mrs. Melvin Jacobus displayed an Advent wreath as used in European homes as a symbol of the coming of the Christ child. Mrs. Charles Camp displayed an African Christmas tree similar to a cane with a giraffe's head. Tinsel was wound about the wooden branches and topped by a silver horn. Mrs. John Ferri had a small revolving Christmas tree lighted from the inside.

Mrs. Donald Dullum had a snowman and woman for her display while Mrs. W. A. Patterson used succulents with ornaments in a bowl. Mrs. Ronald Schacht used ornaments set in a pine cone on a teakwood stand.

An interesting feature was the participation of husbands.

SANTA CLAUS COMING down the chimney was done by Norris Miggins who was assisted by Dick Breuner, Roger Stark, Hayward Gathings and Ambrose Macdonald. This group was also responsible for the cleverly decorated billiard table.

Here a painted red ski was used for a centerpiece. On the ski was placed a small wrought iron sleigh drawn by wrought iron reindeer. The sleigh held a bottle of miniature liquor bottles.

Al Clement did a small Christmas tree with red berries used as ornaments and Earl de Soto used driftwood, rocks and a duck to form an interesting arrangement.

THE BREUNER HOME, softly lighted by many candles, made a beautiful setting for the second "Christmas by Candlelight" party. Mrs. Ambrose Macdonald was chairman assisted by Mesdames Richard Breuner, Embree Hockenbeamer, President; Thomas St. Hill, Milton Selby, Roger Stark, Joseph Ripley and Norris Wiggins.

Mrs. Kendric Wiggins and Mrs. Victor Cranshaw presided in the dining room assisted by Mesdames C. Walter Cole, John Ferri, Fred Mulvaney, Donald Bagley and Thomas Telfer.

Job's Daughters To Go Caroling

Bethel 218, Job's Daughters, will go Christmas caroling at the DeCota Masonic Home Sunday, according to Patt Arneson, Honored Queen.

Preceding the next regular meeting Wednesday, the Queen's Dinner will be held at Bertola's Restaurant at 6 p.m. with the meeting following at the Veterans Memorial Building at 7:30 p.m.

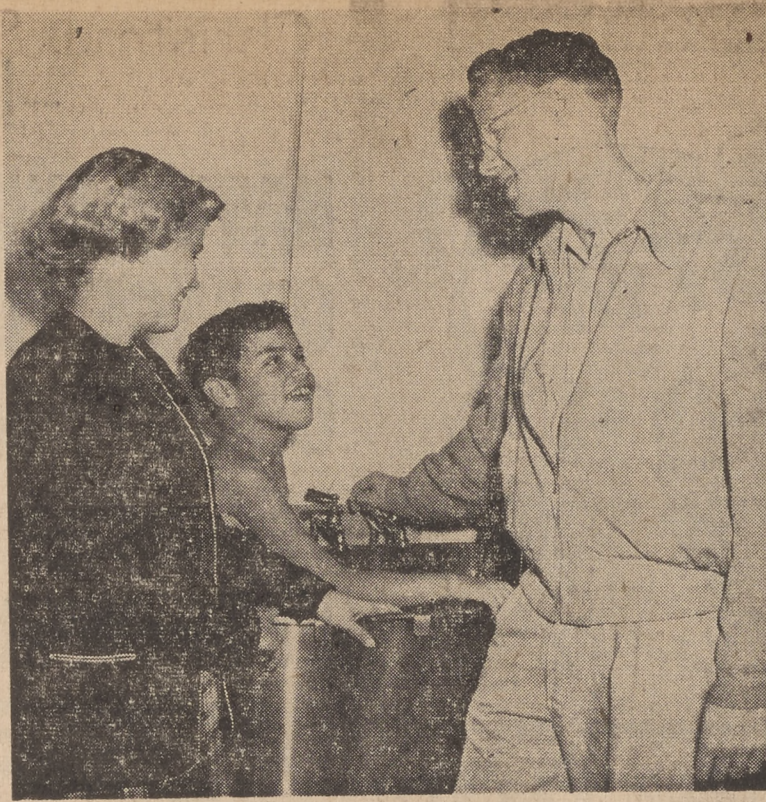
Members are asked to make reservations with Joan Hague and Gail Newfarmer by Sunday.

The Guardian Council will be installed at the last meeting with the following members taking office: Guardian, Mrs. Ethel Burnett; Associate Guardian, Mrs. Donald Hague; Guardian Secretary, Mrs. Leatha Low; Guardian Treasurer, Mrs. Ethel Spencer; Director of Music, Mrs. Charlotte Hermann; Promoter of Sociability, Mrs. Dorothy Kennett; Custodian of Paraphernalia, Mrs. Helen Hilton; Promoter of Finance, Mrs. Charles Mae Boevers; Promoter of Hospitality, Mrs. Ruth Wilbur.

Carmel Vacation

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Fowler Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Dan S. Carter of Orinda spent last weekend at Carmel having a delightful time playing golf and relaxing on the beach in the warm sunshine.

Drive carefully through residential streets and save a child's life.



TOMMY REIZ, MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY PATIENT at the Mt. Diablo Therapy Center, sits in the wheelchair, one of Acalanes' gifts to the Center, and talks with A.S.B. Treasurer Pui Garrison and A.S.B. President Bob Gray. Students recently raised \$604 for the Center.

What Lafayette People are Doing ...

Knee-Hi Teaches Children Safety

Children in Lafayette schools are a little more aware of safety rules than they were before the little terrier "Knee-Hi" came to see them. "Knee-Hi" dramatically points up such rules as "It is safer to sit quietly in the seats when riding school buses," and "you shouldn't ride double on a bicycle, or play near parked cars."

The little terrier, sponsored by the Oakland Tribune, appeared recently at all Lafayette schools in specially prepared programs. Her trainer-owner is Dr. George E. Brunson.

ASSISTING DR. BRUNSON in putting Knee-Hi through her paces were the following youngsters:

Lafayette School: Dennis Kellher, Jim Allen, Bobby Lockey, Don King, Marilyn Edwards, Bill Perego, Fred Gandel, Linda Anderson, David Thomas, Gary Beekke, Kathy Desch, Marilyn Barante, Christy

Suzek and Jeff Anderson.

Two younger helpers were Tom Hughes and Cathy Gommel. Assisting at Montecito School were Doug Nichols, Larry Russell and Chris Rinne.

VALLEJO SCHOOL loaned the services of John Max, Jerry Macpherson and Jimmy Mossman.

Knee-Hi demonstrates her safety lessons dramatically by barking furiously when children break a safety rule, such as climbing on parked automobiles, or running into the road without looking.

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Improvers Name New Officers

A new slate of officers was accepted by the Acalanes Valley Improvement Association at its December 7 meeting at the Louis DeVincenzi home on Acalanes Road.

For president, the group chose George Cummings; vice-president, Charles Dull; secretary, Mrs. George Pence; treasurer, Ernest Biasotti; director-at-large, Norman Hawkins Jr.; and publicity, Mrs. Albert Parker.

THE GROUP VOTED to purchase a 50-cup coffee maker for use at association meetings and for annual parties.

It was noted that Valente Court has been accepted as a county road and that the road surface has now been patched.

Outgoing president Bert Chinn gave a resume of the accomplishments of the association to date, among which were the erection of the sign at the highway entrance and the acceptance by the county and state of a change in the access road for the proposed freeway.

NEW MEMBERS present were the Walter Craigs of Marianne Drive and the Harry Ashes of Acalanes Road.

Following the business meeting refreshments furnished by Mrs. Ernest Biasotti and Mrs. Fred Pflugfelder were served.

Legion Holds Festive Night

Lafayette Post 517 and Unit 517 of the American Legion and Auxiliary held an "Old Timers Night" Wednesday and a Christmas party. Members brought a 50 cent toy to put under the tree. Toys have been turned over to Weimar Sanitarium for the children.

Auxiliary members also decorated a tree for soldiers at Camp Stoneman.

Tomorrow Santa Claus will visit the post at the Veterans Memorial Building between 2 and 4 p.m. and will have gifts for all children.

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Special Yule Service Set

Christmas in song and story will be presented at the morning service Sunday at the Lafayette Covenant Church.

The Senior Choir, under the direction of Mrs. R. G. Ball, will present four anthems, and there will be other special music.

The congregation will sing the familiar Christmas carols, and the pastor will read the Christmas story from the Gospel accounts of Matthew and Luke and bring a brief Christmas meditation.

The children's Christmas program will be held Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. Parents and friends are cordially invited.

There will be a special Christmas service on Christmas Eve at 10 o'clock, taking the place of the early Christmas morning service of previous years. There will be special musical numbers and Rev. Peterson will preach the Christmas sermon.

The clothing drive for Korean Relief continues through Sunday. If anyone is unable to bring his clothing bundles, call Lafayette 2193, and arrangements will be made to pick them up.

'Make Way' Is Sermon Topic

"Make Way" is the title of the sermon to be preached by Dr. E. Theodore Bachmann at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 1035 Oak Lane, Lafayette, Sunday. Dr. Bachmann is a professor of church history and director of graduate studies at Pacific Lutheran Seminary, Berkeley.

There are two worship services offered at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, at 9:30 and 11 a.m. The Junior or Children's Choir, directed by Fred Dietz, sings at 9:30 a.m. and the Senior Choir, under the direction of Richard Hansen, at 11 a.m.

The Sunday School will present a Christmas program entitled "What Can I Give Him?" Sunday evening at 7:30 p.m. About 300 children and young people are enrolled in the Sunday School. Directing the program is Mrs. Gus Niemann, chairman of the Board of Parish Education.

Sunday School for all age groups is offered at 9:30 a.m.

40 Foot Tree Is Decorated

The 40-foot living Christmas tree in front of the Lafayette Community Methodist Church has been strung with 100 colored lights which automatically go on at 5:30 each evening.

Ralph and Verna Winters, Boardy Moore, Harry Shaner, Larry Tower, Martin Lewis and Loring Hanson were the committee from the Couples Club which did the decorating.

Both Lewis and Hanson climbed to the very top to string the lights and they climbed out to the tips of the branches to weave the spirals of descending globes.

'Oz' Returns For Children Party Tonight

"The Wizard of Oz," that all time favorite of childhood, will be the movie at the Children's Approved Matinee tomorrow, at the Park Theater at 1:45 p.m.

Mothers representing the Montecito P.T.A. will serve as contact chairmen for the Lafayette Motion Picture Council. Mrs. Orville Samman and Mrs. B. F. Kaplan assisted last week.

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GAMES

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OPEN EVENINGS 'TIL 9 UNTIL XMAS



Busy, Secretive

Members of Den 7 of Cub Scout Pack 238 are busy making Christmas gifts and tree ornaments for their mothers, Mrs. T. E. Newman, den mother, reports.

Nature of a surprise gift the boys have in store for their mothers Christmas morning is a deep, well-kept secret.

Den members are Bruce Arnold, Jimmy Mest, Mike Becker and Mike Newman of St. Mary's Orchards and Larry Hollister and Peter Suckzek of Lafayette Valley Estates.

Sermon Topic on Savior's Birth

The Christmas sermon at the Lafayette Community Methodist Church will be "A Savior Is Born," at the 8:30 and 11 a.m. services.

Special Christmas music will be presented by both the Youth and Adult Choirs.

"A Savior was born. What difference has he made in your life?



DROP IN FOR THE BEST IN
**Christmas
BUYS!**

EGGS

EXTRA LARGE
GRADE A (Nulaid)
Doz.

77c

COFFEE

MAXWELL HOUSE
5c off — Reg. 94c
You Pay - Lb.

89c

CRAB MEAT

Bay Pride King, Reg. tin

77c

SNOW BALLS

(Ice Cream) Golden State box of 6

\$1.29

SHRIMP

Orleans Dry Pak

49c

SARDINES

Imported Tiny Tot Fancy, reg. tin

2 FOR 55c

MINCED CLAMS

Pioneer (no grit) fancy

39c

RED SALMON

North Pacific, tall tin

55c

T&D IMPORTS

Fancy Grade A
**WISCONSIN
SWISS**

Lb. **85c**

Bernstein Roquefort
**CHEESE
DRESSING**

10-oz. Jar **65c**
This ones Really a pip!

**STICK
BOLOGNA**

Lb. **49c**
(By the Piece)

Bells Super Supreme
Olives

Tin **55c**

Sexton 1-lb., 4-oz.
Mincemeat **75c**
Fruitcake **1.75**
Crosse & Blackwell lb.
2-LB. 2.95

-LIQUORS-



EMBASSY CLUB

3-YR. OLD, 90.4 PROOF

\$3.98
5th

**SAUNDERS
SCOTCH**
Imported

\$4.89
5th

Olive Oil
MT. WHITNEY (PURE)
qts. **99c**

Green Beans

DODGE — No. 303

2 for **37c**

PEAS

MAID RITE — No. 303

2 for **29c**

Golden Corn

GREEN GIANT — No. 303

2 for **35c**

Apple Sauce

MAID RITE — No. 303

2 for **35c**

SPAM

12-oz. **45c**

TUNA

WHITE STAR, BITE SIZE

1/2 tins **31c**

ICE CREAM

RED PAK — ASST. FLAVORS

1/2-gal. **79c**

Horse Meat

VITAMONT (Inspected)

15-oz. **19c**

FLOUR

GOLD MEDAL

5 lbs. **53c**

Muffin Mix

ROMAN MEAL

Special Offer with 8 Cup Pan

90c VALUE

49c

SUGAR

BROWN or POWDERED

1-lb. pkg. **11c**

JELLO

ASST. PKGS.

3 for **23c**

OYSTERS

DUNBAR COVE

reg. tin **39c**

Baked Beans

HEINZ — FAMILY SIZE TIN

tin **19c**

HONEY

BEEVILLE

1-lb. jar **25c**

BABY FOOD

HEINZ CHOPPED—REG. 2-23c

sale **3/23c**

BABY FOOD

BEECH NUT STRAINED

3 for **27c**

BUTTER

Carnation 1st Quality — Lb.

75c

MINCE MEAT

Borden's None-Such, 28-oz. Jar

49c

KRISPIE CRACKERS

1-Lb.

25c

PLUM PUDDING

R&R, 1-Lb.

49c

YAMS

Palmale (Heavy Syrup) 26-oz.

39c

PIMIENTOS

Dromedary, 4-oz.

2 FOR 33c

RITZ CRACKERS

1-Lb.

33c

RAISINS

S&W Seedless

2 FOR 27c

LIQUID APPLE

S&W, 12-oz.

2 FOR 29c

Margarine

NUCOA

2 lbs.

59c

Maxwell House lg. 6 oz. Jar

INSTANT COFFEE

\$1.49

WHITE SAUCE

Aunt Pennys

2 TINS

PICKLE RELISH

Chef Boy-Ar-Dec, 12 1/2-oz.

25c

CRABAPPLES

Monarch, Fancy Whole, Spiced, 1-lb.

35c

STUFFED OLIVES

Grandee, 8-oz. Ref. Jar

45c

GRAPE JUICE

Martini, Qts.

33c

Worcester Sauce

Lea & Perrins, 10-oz.

57c

PINEAPPLE JUICE

Libby's, No. 2 Tins

2 FOR 27c

PEANUT BUTTER

Skippy, 14-oz.

43c

MAYONNAISE

Best Foods — Qt.

61c

KETCHUP

Heinz, 14-oz.

23c

CLEANSER

Ajax, Each

12c

PICKLES

Del Monte, Whole Sweet, 12-oz.

29c

CLEANING PADS

SOS, Lge. Pkg.

21c

FRENCH DRESSING

Girard's

22c

AMMONIA

Parsons, Quart

22c

PICKLES

Bread & Butter, Fannings, Jar

25c

BLUE WHITE

FLAKES

4 FOR 29c

LOAF CHEESE

Golden State Chalet

2 L B S. **79c**

TOILET TISSUE

Zee

4 PAK

CRANBERRY SAUCE

Ocean Spray, Tall Tin

19c

ALUMINUM FOIL

Reynolds, Reg. Roll

2 FOR 49c

CURRENTS

Sun Maid, 12-oz.

2 FOR 35c

CANDLES

Tavern, 12", Red & Green

2 FOR 29c

GREEN BEANS

S&W, Whole Fancy

29c

Marachino CHERRIES

S&W, 16-oz. Jar

55c

VINEGAR

Heinz Cider, Quart

23c

TIDE

Giant

69c

APPLE CIDER

gal.

89c

PEACHES

Hunt's, 2 1/2 Tins

25c

TOMATO SOUP

Heinz, Reg. Tins

3 FOR 33c

CLEANSING TISSUE

Scotties, 400's

23c

SYRUP

Log Cabin, 12-oz. Bottle

25c

MILK

Golden State, Tall Tins

3 FOR 39c

JELLY

Plum or Quince, Pharr Better, 12-oz.

2 FOR 35c

SALAD OIL

Mazola, Quats

65c

POTATO CHIPS

Party Foods, 1-Lb.

59c

- FROZEN FOODS -

NATUR SWEET

Broccoli spears, leaf & chopped Spinach

12c

ORANGE JUICE

Libby (6-oz. 3 FOR 59c)

12-oz. **35c**

OCOMA CHICKEN PIES

7-oz. **3/99c**

PEA SOUP

Andersens (Frozen)

10-oz. **19c**

Fr. Fr. Potatoes - Asst. Veg

Libbys

2/35c

PINEAPPLE CHUNKS

Dole

Fresh Frozen

13 1/2-oz. **21c**

FRESH

FRUITS & VEGETABLES

Sweet Juicy Navels

ORANGES

5 lbs.

29c

Golden ripe

BANANAS

2 lbs. **29c**

Fancy large size Arizona

GRAPEFRUIT

lb. **7c**

Large size, soft shell

AVOCADOS

ea. **19c**

Fancy large full bnch.

CARROTS

2 bu. **15c**

Fancy cannonball

CABBAGE

lb. **5c**

TONY

Choice

**&
VASCO**

Meats



HAM

EASTERN TENDER
**RATH
KREY
KINGANS
SHANK-CUT**

59c
lb.

Large Rib & Loin

PORK CHOPS

65c
lb.

Eastern

BACON SLICED

67c
lb.

LEAN-EASTERN

LOIN PORK ROAST

55c
lb.

Choice Lean

GROUND BEEF

39c
lb.

Pure Pork

SAUSAGE

45c
lb.

Veal Roast

**LEG
OR
RUMP**

New Town Looms on Huge Moraga Tract

SECOND SECTION
ORINDA SUN

Friday, December 18, 1953

'Most Desirable City in State' on 5000 Acre Site Will Cost \$140,000,000

Sale of a 5039 acre tract by the Moraga Land Company to the Utah Construction Company early this week paved the way for the construction of a model city.

According to Frank Curtis, salesman who handled the deal for Wallace Real Estate of Orinda, it will be an ideal setting.

"The company plans to take advantage of all the natural terrain and beauty and make it the most desirable city in California," he said.

The salesman envisioned wide, tree-lined streets and emphasized planning. He commented that no construction would begin until a master plan is laid out for the whole area. No land will be sold to subdividers, nor will subdividers be permitted to develop any of the land at present, he said.

COST OF THE LAND was over 4 million dollars and the estimated cost of the proposed city is approximately \$140 million dollars, a spokesman for the Utah Construction Company said.

Richard Weske, construction engineer for Utah, said that after the master plan is developed some land may be sold to subdividers if they agree to conform to the master plan.

He said the plan would include a business district with apartment buildings nearby and that homes will range in price from \$10,000 to \$15,000, and up to \$50,000 for estates of one to 10 acres.

THE TRANSACTION is probably the largest land sale in the history of Contra Costa and Alameda Counties, according to Ed Wallace, head of the real estate company.

A major factor in the purchase was the proposed Shepherd Canyon Freeway which will cut through the middle of the proposed development. It is estimated that Oakland will be only 12 minutes' drive from the center of the proposed townsite.

Moraga is approximately in the center of the 5000-acre tract, which was the complete holdings of the Moraga Land Company. The tract (see photo) almost surrounds St. Mary's College and stretches from within five miles of Orinda Crossroads to the outer reaches of Lafayette's Glenside area.

THE MARCHANT Development Company's Las Pinos Estates took 10 acres from the holding before the sale was made.

Aerial photograph and detailed

surveys of the land are the first steps in the master plan development, Weske said. Full scale operations on this facet of the development are expected to start early next year.

Earlier this year there were consistent rumors that the Moraga Land Company was selling its holdings to a large development company in Southern California, and then to the Rheem interests. However, these rumors were consistently denied. No hint of the transaction, which required the approval of San Francisco Superior Judge Timothy Fitzpatrick, was given until this week.

THE MORAGA RANCH was once owned by General Horace Carpenter, first mayor of Oakland, and then passed into the hands of the late James Irvine St. Stockholders in the Moraga Land Company included descendants of Irvine, the late James Irvine Sr. Stockholders a substantial interest, and Eric Taussig.

Under terms of the sale the purchase price will be paid in installments ranging from \$117,150 in 1954 to \$320,000 from 1959 to 1963. The full amount will be paid by December 15, 1963.

Home Conference Delegates Named

Delegates from Contra Costa County to attend the Home Department Leaders Conference in Berkeley February 2, 3 and 4 were announced this week by County Home Advisor Mary Williams.

Delegates include Mrs. E. R. Rikshein, Pleasant Hill evening group; Mrs. Clair Mikander, Walnut Creek evening group; Mrs. A. M. Hansen, Orinda; Mrs. Frank Williams, Oak Grove; Mrs. Helen Jacque, Live Oak; Mrs. C. Roy Hall, Alhambra Valley; and Mrs. Sydney Kendle, Cowell.

The Home Department Christmas party held recently was attended by 175 women from all parts of the county.



FUTURE TOWN OF 28,000 population is planned for the more than 5000 acres sold by the Moraga Company to Utah Construction Company for over 4 million dollars. Approximate boundaries of the Moraga Valley area involved in

the huge sale are indicated by the heavy white line on this aerial photo. The transaction, in which the entire holdings of the Moraga Company changed hands, is believed to be the largest real estate "deal" ever made in Contra Costa and

Alameda Counties.

— R. L. Copeland Photo, Courtesy of Tribune

Lafayette Man's Lucky Buck Made Shopping Extra-Lucky

When J. M. Hatfield of 3806 Boyer Circle, Lafayette, went shopping a few days ago, all he had in mind was getting some necessary groceries.

He made his purchases, pocketed the change he received and went home.

Then he was inspired by his brilliant idea, "Lucky Buck," he mumbled. "Maybe, let's see."

HE TOOK OUT his one-dollar bills and carefully compared the serial numbers with the "Lucky Bucks" serial numbers in last week's SUN.

Sure enough—there was the number of one of his dollar bills! And the "Lucky Buck" treasure hunt value of the dollar was \$5!

Hatfield lost no time in going to

The SUN office and exchanging the dollar bill for \$5.

"I think I got the dollar at Lafayette Foods," he said. "I'm sure glad I checked the 'Lucky Bucks' list in the SUN."

IF YOU COMPARE your dollar bills' serial numbers with those in today's SUN, you may be as lucky as Hatfield—perhaps even luckier, since the "Lucky Bucks" are worth \$5, \$10 or \$25.

Ten "Lucky Bucks" are placed in circulation each Friday morning by The SUN, in Walnut Creek, Pleasant Hill, Lafayette and Orinda stores. They can be exchanged for their treasure-hunt value between 9 a.m. that day and 9 a.m. the following Friday.

Condon Virtually Assured of Chance To Testify Before Atomic Committee

Congressman Robert L. Condon this week received virtual assurance his request to testify in answer to security risk charges before the Senate-House Joint Atomic Energy Committee will be granted.

Chairman W. Sterling Cole (R., N.Y.) announced in Washington Monday Condon's request for an open hearing will be given the committee at its first meeting after Congress convenes. He added he feels certain the request will be granted.

CONDON'S REQUEST to appear before the committee "in open and public session" to "make a statement and to answer, under oath, questions your committee may wish to ask of me" was contained in a letter to Cole dated December 10.

Condon was barred from Nevada atomic bomb tests early this year by the Atomic Energy Commission as a security risk.

Ralph Blodgett, former Communist, charged Condon had attended a closed Communist meeting in 1948, before the Velde House Un-American Activities Committee in San Francisco recently.

Under cross-questioning Blodgett also said he did not mean to imply Condon was a Communist and he had no other knowledge indicating Condon may be a party member.

Condon refused to ask to be heard before the Velde committee charging it to be a partisan committee sent to the West Coast to smear him.

CONDON HAS denied he ever was or is now a Communist or Communist sympathizer.

Meanwhile, Federation of Democratic Clubs of Contra Costa County passed a resolution supporting Condon and "deploring the conduct of the Velde Committee during its recent visit to the Bay Area" at a meeting in Martinez last week.

The resolution read in part, "The federation condemns the continued Republican use of smears in an attempt to discredit Congressman Robert Condon whose voting record in Congress testifies to his ardent and sincere anti-Communism, and to his consistent and sincere efforts in behalf of the people of his district."

THE RESOLUTION was offered by Dow Votaw of Lafayette, a delegate of the Central Contra Costa Democratic Club. Delegates from Rodeo and Crockett attempted to prevent its passage but were quickly overruled.

A resolution demanding Condon answer charges or resign was passed by the Rodeo unit last week. The resolution said the record of Condon was not questioned, but he would have to clear himself to properly represent the district.

Art Rodriguez, Crockett president, asked why Condon had not appeared at the Velde Hearings. Because the partisan Velde Committee would have "slaughtered him" was the answer given by David N. Borin, Concord attorney, and Paul Ward, Condon's administrative assistant.

"The atomic energy committee is non-partisan," they said, adding,

Supervisors Set Adjustment Unit Public Hearing

First public hearing before Board of Supervisors on the proposed "streamlining" of the County Planning Commission was scheduled for 10:30 a.m. January 14 by the board Tuesday.

Representatives of the building trades industry and real estate interests indicated some dissatisfaction with the proposed change to set up a Board of Zoning Adjustment on the grounds there would be no appeal to elected representatives.

The adjustment unit suggested by the Planning Commission after two public hearings would be staffed by three members of the commission and sit on use permit request matters with appeal to the Planning Commission only.

At present, all decisions on planning are made by the Planning Commission in the form of recommendations to the Board of Supervisors.

With the new board, the commission would still sit on matters of rezoning and on the master plan. Opponents to the appeal phase of the proposed change charge it would detract from the jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors and could result in more litigation by dissatisfied applicant for land use permits.

County Residents Win Scout Awards

Two Central Contra Costa County residents were among 15 persons awarded a distinguished service award statuette at annual meeting of Mt. Diablo Council, Boy Scouts of America, at Hotel Claremont in Berkeley Saturday.

Duncan Knudsen of Lafayette and T. G. Cullen of Orinda were the local residents honored with the awards made possible by Claude McIntyre of Berkeley.

Justice A. F. Bray of Martinez was re-elected president of the council at the meeting.

Local Men on Hunt Where Boar Bagged

Dr. Wayland J. Cunningham of Orinda and George Towle of Walnut Creek took part in a hunt where two wild boar were bagged recently.

Bagged by other members of the party, hunting on the Oppenheimer ranch in Carmel Valley, the boars weighed 220 pounds and 150 pounds. All members of the party shot limits of quail and wild dove.

Men's Garden Club Meets Tuesday

The Mt. Diablo Men's Garden Club will hold its annual Christmas party Tuesday at the El Monte Drive In at 6:30 p.m., according to John L. Crow.

The speaker will be Professor Woodbridge Metcalf, Extension Forester, Agriculture Extension Service of the University of California, who will discuss trees.

Hassle Looms in Clayton Valley Sewer Annexation

Boundaries for the proposed Clayton valley annexation to Central Contra Sanitary District will be filled with the county boundary commission Tuesday, but a controversy appears to be shaping up.

The 5000 acre proposed annexation includes an ear which Concord's City Manager Ray Doran says lies within Concord's normal sphere of growth as outlined by the city a few months ago.

DORAN, City Councilman George Krueger and Attorney Thomas F. McBride have asked the boundary commission to hold a public hearing on the annexation arguing that certain areas in the proposed annexation area would have overlapping boundaries which would result in double taxation for sewer facilities if areas in the Central Sanitary District are later annexed to the City of Concord.

However, Ralph Dowell, representing the annexation committee charged that Concord is attempting to force certain areas in the proposed annexation into the city of Concord against their desires and in the face of what is a more feasible, economical and practical method of obtaining sewers.

PETITIONS FOR annexation cannot be circulated until approval is given by the boundary commission. If 25 per cent of the property owners in the area proposed sign a petition asking for annexation the proposition can be put to a vote.

If 75 percent petition for annexation, the area can be annexed by a resolution of the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District Board of Directors.

The Sanitary District directors met last night after The SUN had gone to press to discuss terms of annexation for the Danville Communities Service District.

Schools To Be Closed 2 Weeks

Added to the usual holiday greetings today at schools throughout this area is the literally-meant quip, "See you here next year!"

Students — and teachers, too — go on their two-week Christmas holiday vacation.

After today, the schools will be closed until Monday, January 4. In the opinion of many students, that will help make Christmas merry. But the question seems to be: How happy will the New Year be, with reopening of school only three days after the first day of 1954?

THE SUN'S LUCKY BUCKS

A Treasure Hunt for 10 Lucky Dollar Bills
Each week, that pays off in CASH AWARDS

HERE ARE THE LUCKY BUCKS NUMBERS for Dec. 18 to Dec. 25

Serial No.	Worth	Serial No.	Worth
I 52423293 F	\$25.00	R 27598253 G	\$5.00
U 04382859 F	10.00	R 49681885 G	5.00
R 27425658 G	10.00	L 36188450 G	5.00
K 17894725 F	10.00	I 98958162 G	5.00
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THESE ARE THE GUYS who helped Acalanes through one of its roughest seasons with a fine record in which they took Pittsburg, Alhambra and John Swett by good margins. They are: front row, left to right; Bob Kinney, Bart Ferro, Andy Fadelli, George Fortado, Gary Howerton, Martin Murphy, Ray Williamson, Richard Mann, John Champlin, Larry Tate, Jim Larson. Second row, Paul Henderson, Gary Gudna-

son, Jerry Ortland, Dennis Busby, Ed Deemer, Renold Marin, Bob Thain, Ed Hunt, Bill Miller, Allen McDonald, Denny Hollenbeck. Third row, Coach Mattson, Keith Lesure, Lou Schrepel, John Spigel, Geoff Wahl, Bruno Wise, Joe Oliver, Dale Marcellini and Dick Austin, manager.

—Acalanes Blueprint photo

Don Basketball Teams Defeat Knights: 54-36 in Varsity - 42-36 in Bee Game

The Acalanes Dons traveled to Las Lomas Tuesday afternoon and wound up with a pair of basketball wins.

The Don Varsity victory score was 54-36. The Don Babes won by 42-36.

The Dons kept the Acalanes Varsity in the undefeated class in two outings of league play, while the Don Babes made their "batting average" an even .500, having dropped their opener to Antioch last week.

IN THE BEE game, the Dons maintained a slight edge throughout, but the closeness of the contest was shown by the count at the three-quarter way mark, which found the Acalanes five out in front 23-22.

Las Lomas came fast in the final quarter but the Dons came a bit faster as they tanked 19 points, 10 of them coming from ace Forward Alan Sutton.

Jordan led the scorers for Las Lomas with 18, while Sutton ended up with 15, to lead Acalanes.

IN THE VARSITY game, the fast-

improving Dons came through with their season's best in a contest which saw Coach Jean Ridley use a grand total of 17 players.

The early stages of play found the game even, but the Dons warmed to the task at hand midway in the first quarter and went on to post an 18-10 lead at the end of the initial period.

Paced by pivot man Bob Gray, the Dons extended the lead to a 28-14 halftime margin and were never to be headed.

PART OF THE story was in the free throw department, where the Dons capitalized on 18 out of 25 attempts, for a 72 per cent average, while the best the Las Lomas Knights could hit was 12 on 40 attempts, for a 30 per cent mark.

Using a converging defense on the Las Lomas center, Arne Lundquist paid off dividends to the Dons. Lundquist was held to 8 points, four of which came on two field goals.

Gray, in addition to his sterling floor play, took high points honors with 14 points on seven field goals.

Acalanes Varsity Beats Panthers But Bees Lose

The Acalanes fives split their league openers last Friday night when they traveled to Antioch.

Coach Gene Ridley's Varsity copped the nod, 36-28, while Coach Hal Ossen's Bee crew dropped a 35-19 decision.

IN THE VARSITY game the Panthers gave the Dons moments of anxiety when the Antioch guards popped in three in a row from 20 feet out, jumping to an early lead and holding a 6-4 first quarter advantage.

The Don starters — forwards John Conley and Jerry Coakley, Center Bob Gray and Guards Red Jones and Bart Ferro — found the range in the second quarter and racked up 15 points to Antioch's 3, making it 19-9 at the halfway mark.

IN THE SECOND half, substitutes were used freely, and while Antioch picked up in spots the Dons pulled away, to score the win.

Seventeen Dons saw action in the game.

Gray, with three field goals and two free throws, was high for the Dons with 8 points, while Ferro scored 7 points.

Coach Ridley inserted Rod Kistinger and Buzz Ferrarese into the forward spots. They used a fast break to score time and again on unguarded layup shots.

Antioch's one bright spot was Guard Gene Holding, who bagged 13 points, to make a game of what would otherwise have been a rout.

IN THE BEE game, the Don Babes had both offensive and defensive difficulties.

It was Antioch all the way as the Panthers chalked up a 19-8 half time lead and went on to the win.

LACK OF EXPERIENCE and apparent stage fright handicapped the Dons, who just couldn't seem to get organized.

Guard Terry Ashe, with 8 points, and Bill Link, with 6, topped the Don scorers.

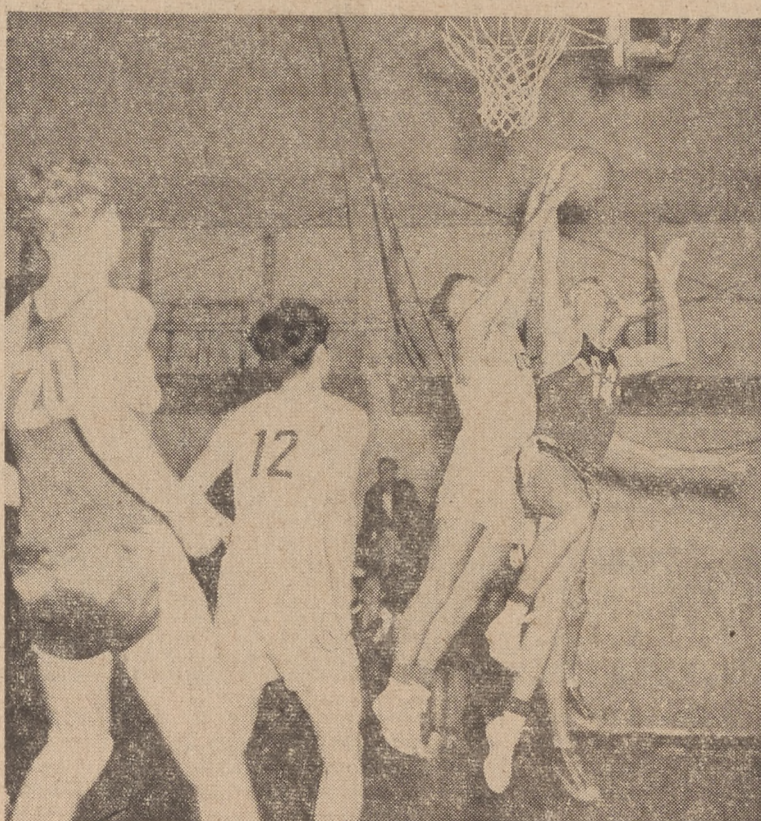
Antioch's "Big Gun" was Guard Bob Burcio, who tanked a total of 16 to help the winning cause.

Dick Davis, a member of last year's Acalanes Varsity basketball and baseball teams, is attending San Francisco State, where he is on the Junior Varsity basketball team.

San Francisco State has a policy of no frosh teams.

Everyone goes to Varsity or Junior Varsity, and only exceptional players make the grade as frosh.

SPORTS



PLAYS LIKE THIS show how closely Don Center Bob Gray was guarded through the entire Cal 145-pound game. The U.C. boys came out the victors, 43 to 33, in the first contest of the year. No. 20, in foreground, is John Conley, who played outstanding ball.

Acalanes JV's Whip Panthers

The Acalanes Junior Varsity basketball team won its opener 40-23 Wednesday afternoon when the lads traveled to Antioch to engage the Panther J.V. five.

The Dons controlled the boards from the start, with Dino Pozzobon, Joe Sheaff and Andy Fadelli.

That marked the difference, as the Acalanes five took an early

lead and was never headed.

The big gun for the winners was Fadelli, who hit for 9 points, while close behind were Sheaff with 8 and Tom Hannan, who tallied 7.

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Dons Tie for Top League Spot

The Contra Costa prep basketball season's 1953 portion is over. Final games of the current year were played Tuesday, and nothing further is scheduled until January 12.

Things are bound to change in the weeks ahead, but at present four clubs are in the undefeated class in Varsity league play.

ACALANES AND Mt. Diablo top the list with two wins each, while Albany and Alhambra are next in line with a win apiece, each having drawn a bye to date.

John Swett and Antioch each have a one and one record.

Pittsburg, Las Lomas and Pleasant Hill have dropped two apiece and are at the bottom of the standings.

ON A BASIS of showings to date, Albany looks to be the class of the league and a favorite to successfully defend the title at has won the past two seasons.

Experienced and capable ball players, plus some top shots, make the Albany five a smooth-functioning unit that at this point looks to be the best in the league.

MT. DIABLO HAS terrific potential, and on that basis appears to be Albany's biggest threat.

Height, experience and depth make Mt. Diablo a favorite to land in the top three.

The Dons, under Coach Jean Ridley, have been the league's surprise.

One of the league's smaller clubs, and with limited experienced personnel, the Acalanes five has im-

proved with each outing and displayed a good floor game, which, coupled with good defensive tactics, has chalked up wins in its two league outings.

THE SURPRISING DONS are picked by many as the "dark horse" of the league.

Alhambra has an experienced five which, after a slow start, appears to have some into its own and promises to pull more than one upset along the line.

The Bulldogs lack depth, and this could prove to be their downfall.

PITTSBURG, A CLUB that looks good in the tournament, fell apart at the seams against Albany and dropped another to Diablo.

A tall and fast club, the Pitt Pirates loom as an in-and-out. They will upset someone's appellate along the way and could decide the eventual winner, depending on whom they upset.

LAS LOMAS and Pleasant Hill, with no Seniors and a resulting lack of experience as well as of numbers, figure to gain lots of playing time and to develop for next year — but with little opportunity for many wins this season.

John Swett has one of its poorer fives, as does Antioch.

While each is capable of wins here and there, they will in all probability end well down the list when the final standings are posted.

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Vikings Hold Grid Banquet

The Vikings of Contra Costa Junior College East Campus held their annual football banquet Wednesday night at the campus cafeteria, with team members, coaches, school administrators and prep coaches, along with their season captains, in attendance.

Bob Borghesani, boy commissioner of athletics, acted as toastmaster. Speaker was Fern Meister, line coach at the University of California, who also presented a film of this year's Big Game between California and Stanford.

Highlight of the evening was presentation of awards.

The outstanding lineman trophy went to guard Dick Lee; the outstanding back trophy to halfback Dave De Jesus; the outstanding player award to halfback L. C. Joyner.

Borghesani, end, was named captain for the season.

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Rams Lose Two To Panther Fives

The Pleasant Hill Rams proved to be very gracious hosts Tuesday afternoon when they played the Antioch fives at Mt. Diablo High's gym and dropped the Bee game 41-20 and the Varsity contest 50-38.

In the Bees it was simply too much Antioch as the Panthers sped to a 25-7 halftime lead and coasted the rest of the way.

THE RAMS had difficulty with the Antioch defense and failed to hit with any consistency.

Best of the lot for Pleasant Hill was forward John Black, who posted 8 points.

IN THE VARSITY division it was too much height and experience that found Babe Atkinson's Antioch five out in front, never to be seriously threatened.

Antioch held a 28-15 halftime margin.

Bauman of the winners was high with 15 points, although close behind in the scoring was the Rams' McMillan, who put 14 points on the scoreboard.

Wins \$100, New York Trip in Baking Contest

Mrs. Joseph A. Tarre, 131 Paulson Lane, Walnut Creek recently was named one of the 100 junior and senior finalists in Pittsburg Mills' Fifth nation-wide recipe and baking contest.

She received \$100 and went to New York for the final baking December 14 in a Grand Finale bake-off in the Waldorf-Astoria ballroom, where over \$100,000 will be given away in prizes to 80 senior and 20 junior contestants.

Diablo Devils Trench Knights

Las Lomas basketballers traveled to Mt. Diablo High last Friday night for a pair of league games, and when the smoke had cleared away the Devils had taken the Antioch fives at Mt. Diablo High's gym and dropped the Bee game 41-20 and the Varsity contest 50-38.

It was the Devils over in front all the way, as they proved too strong for the Knights, who are engaging in their first season of league play — and that without any seniors.

The bright side of the picture for Las Lomas in the Varsity tilt was the play of forward Rick Ostrom, who posted 12 points, and center Arne Lundquist, who nailed down 10 points.

EBMUD Wants No More Functions

East Bay Municipal Utilities District does not want to take over any additional functions, J. W. McFarland, general manager, told the executive committee of the Contra Costa Taxpayers Association recently.

The district was asked to take on transportation duties during the recent Key System strike, but declined, he said.

Requests that water service be extended to Concord have been received, he said, admitting this may be possible in the future. However, the district does not have enough water to do so at present.

He also told the committee the district is planning to sell some 30,000 acres in the county, which would increase the tax base if bought by private individuals and companies.

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Social and Clubs



EXCHANGING HAPPY SMILES following their recent wedding are Mary Jane Armerding and Charles David Searle. The couple will go to the Belgian Congo to teach sometime next year. Mary Jane is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Dewey Armerding of Lafayette. — Photo by Hal Matson

Music Students Plan Recital

Music students of Myra Tagg will present a Christmas recital Sunday at 2 p.m. for parents and friends at 2730 North Main Street.

Highlight of the program will be the playing of Tchaikovsky's Concerto 1 in B Flat Minor by Ruth Watson, accompanied by Mrs. Tagg. Also performing will be: Harry Bellville, Donna Bishop, Karen Bittenbender, Peter Bittenbender, Gilbert Bruce, Joane Copeland, Cheryl Cooper, Marian French, Risa French and Wayne Figroid. Jodel Hancock, Judy Hohesiel, Steven Johnson, Karen Mastne, Linda Olcott, Sandra Prada, Sherry Prada, Margie Reger, Jane Reger, Sydney Rogers, Suzanne Stewart, Carolyn Trembath and Margaret Wedel.

Diablo Weavers Have Christmas Luncheon

Diablo Weavers met for a Christmas luncheon yesterday at the home of Mrs. Claire Pfeiffer, 1740 Magnolia Way, Walnut Creek.

New officers elected recently include Mrs. Margery Tarp, president; Mrs. Jean Evers, secretary; and Mrs. Pfeiffer, treasurer-librarian.



PLANNING A SPRING WEDDING are Evelyn Platner and Marlin C. Parks. She is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William George Platner of 1789 Castle Hill Road in Walnut Creek and he is son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Parks of Concord. — SUN Photo by Dick Gammon

Eloise Fowler, Robert Higgins Wed in South

Robert Edward Higgins and Eloise Janet Fowler were married recently at the Oneonta Congregational Church in South Pasadena.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Madison Harmon Fowler of 47 Camino Encinas, Orinda. The ceremony was performed by the Reverend Henry Gray and the bride was given away by her father. Mrs. Roland Pahner attended as matron of honor while Jen Clark, Mrs. William Fowler and Anita Montague were bridesmaids.

The bride wore a gown in imported Chantilly lace and tulle fashioned with a billowing skirt overlaid with lace draped from handmade satin roses.

She carried orchids and stephanotis centered with a corsage of white orchids. Both the bride and bridegroom attended the University of Southern California.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Higgins of Burbank. The couple honeymooned at an unknown spot and returned to Berkeley where the groom is business.

Folk Dancers Hold 'Mistletoe Mixer'

Acalanes Folk Dancers held their monthly party Saturday night at the Danville Veterans Memorial Hall. Mistletoe was much in evidence throughout the hall. From the time the guests stepped through the door there was no chance of forgetting the "Mistletoe Mixer" theme chosen by the committee in charge. Mobiles suspended from the ceiling held Christmas baubles and crackles done up in colorful paper and ribbon.

Both round and square dances made up the program. Squares were called by Norm Peddicord, Dick Benofsky and Frank En Earl. The committee in charge consisted of Elwood and Irene McNichols, Idar and Maria Gogstad and Frank and Sally En Earl.

Is Bridesmaid

Carol Lou Nelson of Walnut Creek was a bridesmaid recently when Velma May D'Oliveira of Richmond became the bride of Clark Edward Rutledge of Richmond in Grace Lutheran Church of Oakland.

Mrs. Ruff Installed Head of OES Unit

More than 200 members and guests of Almona Chapter 214, Order of Eastern Star saw Mrs. Alys Ruff installed as worthy matron in 51st installation of officers in Walnut Creek Masonic Temple Saturday night.

OTHER OFFICERS include Lincoln Beck of Lafayette, worthy patron; Homer Briner of Martinez, associate patron; Margaret R. Hinds of Walnut Creek, conductress; Alta Rossi of Walnut Creek, associate conductress; Ellen Straight of Concord, secretary, and Louise Otto of Walnut Creek, treasurer.

Star points are Faye L. Jones of Concord, Adah; Margaret J. Pringle of Walnut Creek, Ruth; Jacquie Laws of Walnut Creek, Esther; Iris Nelson of Walnut Creek, Martha and Vera R. Foss of Walnut Creek, Electa.

Other appointed officers are

Joyce French of Walnut Creek, marshal; Richard James of Walnut Creek, chaplain; Bryant Laws of Walnut Creek, sentinel; Irene B. Hardy of Walnut Creek, warden; Dorothy Silverthorn of Walnut Creek, organist, and Dale Luther Niles of Walnut Creek, flag bearer.

Installing officers were Joyce French, Richard G. James, Paul F. Ruff, Margaret Nordlund, Bertha Ryan, Harriet Trumbull, Louise Gavey, Vera Ashworth, Irene Piel, Jeanne Stumpf, Pearl Ritchie and Kathryn Burgess.

MILTON RYAN and Elizabeth R. Champion were host and hostess for the evening.

Stanley Ford Jr., Mrs. Ruff's grandson, entertained with a steel guitar and Betty Fulghum and Marshall Maguire presented vocal selections accompanied by Dorothy Maguire.

Belgian Congo Will Be Home For Newlyweds

Africa will be home for the newly married Mr. and Mrs. Charles David Searle.

The new Mrs. Searle (Mary Jane Armerding) will accompany her husband to Northern Rhodesia early next year, where they plan to teach in a school for missionaries' children.

The wedding was held December 5 at St. John's Presbyterian Church in Berkeley under the direction of Reverend Tom Olson, and was followed by a reception in Fellowship Hall at the church.

THE BRIDE IS the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Dewey Armerding, 3477 St. Mary's Road, Lafayette and the room is the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Gordon Searle, Irumu, Belgian Congo, Africa.

The groom's parents have been missionaries on the Belgian Congo since 1925 and will return to the mission field early next year.

The bride was given in marriage by her father and wore a nylon tulle gown trimmed with lace. Her fingertip veil with a scalloped edge was held in place by a pleated headband trimmed with seed pearls. Her flowers were small white orchids, lily of the valley and bouvardia.

MATRON OF HONOR was Mrs. George W. Armerding (Marguerite Markham) and bridesmaids were Mrs. James Reetzke of Pasadena and Mrs. R. Thorsen of Oakland. Thomas Searle stood with his brother, while ushers were George and Robert Armerding, the bride's brothers, Hugo Santucci and Robert Jennings.

The honeymoon destination was not revealed.

Gamma Phi's Aid Needy, Crippled

Gamma Phi Beta alumnae of Contra Costa County held their traditional Christmas party Monday night at the home of President Mrs. Richard B. Rice, 91 Castle Crest Road, Walnut Creek.

Festivities centered around the beautiful Christmas tree in the Rice living room, to which members had brought wrapped gifts of food, clothing and toys for a needy family in this area. This is an annual holiday project of the local alumnae group. This year it was decided to send a check to the Mt. Diablo Therapy Center as well, to be used as the Center sees fit.

Mrs. Terence Ring of Walnut Creek planned entertainment, assisted by Mesdames Allen Griffin and Paul Cortese.

Others present were Mesdames Clifford Nelle, Conway Smith Jr., Don B. Moodcock, William H. Faiss, William A. Patterson, Harney Wilson, William W. Ornduff, Richard F. Peters, David B. Stewart and Delbert E. Perkins.

Walnut Creek Girls On Cal 'Pelly' Staff

Three Walnut Creek girls, June Derry, Carla Nelles and Sandra Pamphilon, are serving on the staff of the California Pelican, University of California humor magazine.

June is the daughter of the Harry Derrys; Carla is the daughter of the Clifford Nelles; and Sandra is the daughter of the F. R. Pamphilon.

The girls are selling, modeling in fashion shows and helping to keep office records.

Mo-Li-La Sewing Club Holds Party

The Sewing Club of the Mo-Li-La Court No. 53 of the Ladies' Oriental Shrine of North America celebrated with a Christmas party for members yesterday at the Madison Street Temple in Oakland.

Anna Troyer, high priestess, Walnut Creek, was assisted by Irene Dimmer and Olive M. Haniff, the program in charge of the high priestess after the luncheon.

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Surprise Birthday For Robert Harrison

Mrs. Robert L. Harrison, 1950 Parkside Drive, Walnut Creek, gave a surprise party for her husband Saturday on the occasion of his birthday.

The birthday cake was decorated with chocolate icing, bordered with white, with yellow roses as a final touch.

Guests included Clare and Marian Holtrop and Jim and Cleta Mansfield, of Walnut Creek; Foster and Beulah Whitehead of Oakland; Glendon and Mary Matson, San Lorenzo; Gale and Doris Harris, Sharp Park; Ed and Melvyn Purcell, Sacramento; and Oliver and Charlotte Maker, San Pablo.

Men To Be BPW Guests at Party

Husbands of members will be special guests at the annual Christmas party of Lafayette Business and Professional Women's Club Monday night at the home of Eleanor Hinkson, 2448 Buena Vista Avenue, Walnut Creek.

The party, to be held in the rumpus room of the Hinkson home, will start with a buffet supper at 7 o'clock.

President Ethel Fowden and Vice-president Neil Kennedy urge all members and their husbands to attend. And they promise that the men won't be required to perform any chores.

Anita Williams Wedding Held at Hillcrest Church

In an evening ceremony at Hillcrest Congregational Church, Anita Mae Williams of Pleasant Hill became the bride of Dewey Allen Shatto of Springfield, Ohio, Saturday.

The bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Williams, 233 Gregory Lane, wore a dusty rose moire suit-dress with blue accessories. Her flowers were white carnations centered with a white orchid.

Attendants were Edwina Mae Rowlands, bridesmaid, and Ernest Williams Jr., brother of the bride, as best man. Miss Rowlands wore a blue suit and accessories with pink carnations.

Following the wedding, a reception was held for the couple at the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. Stanley Williams, 150 Greenway Drive, Walnut Creek. Approximately 60 guests gathered to wish the newlyweds happiness. Foregoing a wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Shatto are at home on Monument Boulevard in Concord.

The bride is a graduate of Mt. Diablo High School. Mr. Shatto has just been discharged from the Air Force. While in the service he was stationed at Parks Air Force Base.

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SURPRISE MOTIF at Orinda Garden Club's "Christmas by Candlelight" party at the R. W. Breuner home on Miner Road in Orinda December 10 was this "practice run" by Santa. Somewhat startled are Mrs. Milton Selby (left) and Mrs. Roger Stark. However, the lower portion of Saint Nick proved to be a cleverly-arranged dummy. — SUN Photo by Matson

Junior Women to Hold Yule Party Tomorrow Night

Christmas berries and red candles will decorate the tables when the Orinda Junior Women's Club holds its Christmas dinner-dance at the Orinda Willows tomorrow evening.

Christmas trees and other yuletide decorations will contribute to the holiday theme.

A NUMBER OF COCKTAIL parties will precede the semi-formal affair at 8:30. Pre-supper parties will be given at the homes of Mesdames Ross Mainwaring, John J. McCaffery, L. M. Chapman and Walter E. Estes, who will entertain the officers and their husbands.

The Juniors, husbands and guests will dine in a party room adjoining the dance floor, according to social committee chairman, Mrs. John J. McCaffery. Dance music will be provided by Maurice Anger and his band. Mrs. McCaffery's committee is making plans for approximately 50 people.

OTHER MEMBERS of the social committee include Mesdames Vernon E. Louis, co-chairman, Paul Gregg, Richard Farmer, Pierce Hussey, L. M. Chapman, Thomas Howard, Gerald Fitzgerald, Beau Guinther, Norman Miller and Jack Smithers.

Ladies Shrine Party Tonight

The Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America, Mo-Li-La Court No. 53, will meet tonight at 5 p.m. with Anna Troyer, Walnut Creek, high priestess, presiding at the Madison Street Temple in Oakland.

A dinner will be served at 6:30 by the Oriental Band with Kay Warren in charge.

A Christmas party will follow at 8 p.m. with line officers assisting the high priestess.

Gifts are to be received for boys and girls for the Shrine Crippled Children Hospital in San Francisco.

Paul Wagner of Walnut Creek is donating to Mo-Li-La Court a merry-go-round, roller coaster and ferris wheel, all in one, to be presented to the hospital. It will be exhibited at the party.

DAR Chapters Join for Party Tomorrow

Norma L. Warner, regent of Ann Loucks Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, announced today the annual joint Christmas gathering of the D.A.R. and Mt. Diablo Society, Children of the American Revolution, will be at 2 p.m. tomorrow at the McGeehon home, 2400 Warren Road, Walnut Creek.

Susan McGeehon, president of the Junior group, will preside, with the assistance of Mrs. C. F. Humes, senior president, who serves in an advisory capacity. The D. A. R. has planned a program of music and readings.

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Folk Dance Group To Hold Party

The Diablo Promendares, folk dance group at Cowell, will hold a Christmas party dance and potluck supper tomorrow night at Cowell Hall.

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Kela Snedeker Announces Troth To Ray Rugani

The engagement of Miss Kela Marie Snedeker and Ray Phillip Rugani was announced at a dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rugani of Stockton recently.

Kela Marie is the daughter of Mrs. Marie E. Snedeker and the late Al G. Snedeker of Lafayette. She is a graduate of Acalanes High School and is presently employed at the Oakland branch of the Bank of San Francisco.

She has two brothers, Albert C. Snedeker of Saudi Arabia and Frank Snedeker of Honolulu.

The wedding will be February 14 at St. Perpetua's Catholic Church under the direction of Reverend Paul L. M. Serrys of St. Mary's College.

Ray is a graduate of Stockton High School and St. Mary's. He served as a captain in the army for four and a half years.

Betty Fisk Tells Of Troth to Russ Summers

The engagement of Betty Fisk and Russell Summers was announced while Miss Fisk was on a recent trip to Southern California.

Betty is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver A. Fisk Jr. of Orinda. She graduated from the South Pasadena-San Marino High School and later attended the University of Arizona where she was a Tri-Delt. Russ is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Summers of Pomona and is in his senior year at the University of California. He is a Kappa Alpha.

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Heidi Reviews Year, Enjoys Festive Yule

The December 8 Christmas party of Heidi, auxiliary to Children's Home Society, was not only a time for fun and cheer but a summation of the year's activities.

The party was held at the Alamo Women's Club and speaker was Mrs. A. S. Hickey, director of chapters and auxiliaries.

She commented that the society had placed 75 "children with special needs" during the first eight months of the year, as compared with a total of 18 for 1949.

This category includes children with handicaps, of minority groups and older children for whom it is more difficult to find a home.

Mrs. Alfred C. Phelps of Danville presided and presented a check to Mrs. Hickey as Heidi's contribution for the year.

In her talk Mrs. Hickey explained that the society is nearing its goal of 400 replacements a year and that more auxiliary chapters are being formed continually.

Two soprano solos were given by Mrs. Philip Simmons of Walnut Creek accompanied by Mrs. Glenn C. Warden of Lafayette on the piano. Miss Gail Schick of Walnut Creek performed two interpretive ballet numbers and the Diablo Valley Choral group presented a selection of music.

A surprise Santa in the person of Mrs. Everett E. Firestone of Lafayette distributed gifts to each lady and a box of gifts for the children in the boarding homes to Mrs. Hickey.

Tea and refreshments were served.

Mrs. E. A. Peterson of Lafayette decorated the tea table and Mrs. Henry Deen and Mrs. J. Wiley House of Danville did the many lovely decorations throughout the clubhouse.

Mrs. Carl Ball of Walnut Creek was chairman.

Sorority Party At Quinby Home In Pleasant Hill

Gamma Kappa Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha sorority held a holiday party December 8 at the home of Mrs. Eldon Quinby in Pleasant Hill.

Members exchanged Christmas gifts and welcomed Mrs. Roberta Burnham of Pleasant Hill into the organization. Mesdames Vernon King, Morris Skinner, Raymond Beeson and Emil C. Risi received jeweled pledge pins.

Those in attendance to welcome Mrs. Burnham were Mesdames Andrew Catherall, Raymond Beeson, Norman Beeson, Bruce Boswell, William Brandt, Herbert Carter, Harry Clemons, Edward Cordero, Vernon King, Victor Orteron, Emil C. Risi, Morris Skinner, Charles L. Smith, Beverly Wilder, Gene Davis and James Van Etta.

Pledges Fraternity

James L. MacDonald, son of Dr. James MacDonald, 9 Las Aromas, Orinda, was recently pledged to the Oregon chapter of Alpha Phi Omega, national men's service fraternity.

MacDonald, a freshman in pre-medical studies, is attending the University of Oregon. He attended high school in Piedmont.

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'Threat' Charge Denied by Ewert

A charge by Contra Costa Junior College Trustee Elton Brombacher that Walnut Creek Certified Public Accountant Eldo Ewert had been ordered to "create a threat" against him was denied this week by Ewert. In an open letter to "the taxpayers of Contra Costa County" Brombacher charged Ewert was ordered to submit a statement of the amount of invoices from Brombacher's printing firm that appeared in junior college student body and bookstore accounts.

Ewert said he had no specific instructions to give special attention to invoices from the Independent Printing Company, Brombacher's firm.

He said he had been instructed to audit some accounts and he compiled the information in the normal course of an audit, as he knows

trustees are restricted in business dealings with the district. The audit report lists Brombacher's firm as having done \$223.97 worth of business with the east campus student body, \$621.10 with the west campus book store and \$2,294.06 with the west campus student body, according to Brombacher.

Brombacher explained the work was done prior to July of this year when at the request of the Board of Trustees, a District Attorney's opinion on the legality of such matters was sought.

The opinion said while there is no specific law declaring such transactions illegal, a broad interpretation of the education code casts a shadow on business between a student body and a trustee, Brombacher said.

Highway Federation to Meet Monday

The first meeting of the 1954 Board of Directors of the Diablo Highway Improvement Federation will be held Monday at 8 p.m. at the home of Charles Nelson, 10 Orchard Court, Orinda.

Nelson stated basic plans for next year will be outlined and formation of committees will be discussed. He said that in continuing the Federation's work for next year, studies to be made of improvements of roads and streets in the County System and possibility of further appropriations for the Diablo Freeway would also be discussed.

HE STRESSED the importance of attendance by the entire board of directors, enlarged to 15 members at the November annual meeting, to provide more adequate coverage of this area and handling of State and County road problems.

Nelson works for Shell Oil in San Francisco and has lived in Orinda for several years. He takes over the Chairmanship of the Federation held by Elliot Hartman of Hidden Valley for the past two years.

NELSON HAS been vice-chairman of the Federation for two years and his spot will be taken over by Edward M. Rowland, 1367 Pleasant Hill Road, Lafayette, who is associated with the Walnut Creek Area Chamber of Commerce and Reliez Valley Improvement Association and has served a two-year term as director in the Federation.

Nelson represents the Orinda Association while Hartman, who will continue as a director, is a delegate of the Hidden Valley Improvement Association.

Realtors Add Voice To Requests for County Park Board

Directors of the Contra Costa Real Estate Board have gone on record urging the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County to establish a County Park Commission.

"THE CHARACTER OF growth of our county is such as to make obvious the necessity of planning for the future community needs of our people, particularly as to recreation facilities, and to set aside those areas which, through intelligent appraisal of recreational needs, are found to be necessary for this purpose, before those lands are lost to us forever," the board resolution read.

"Further, it is considered essential that such a commission begin as quickly as possible to acquaint itself with the wishes of our people and to develop a working knowledge for management of our recreation facilities when they are acquired."

"IT IS FURTHER recommended that both large scale recreation areas be provided on a county level, and that the creation of local facilities for community programs be encouraged."

"The realtors of the central part of this county, in a continued effort to improve the living conditions in our county and to create a more attractive setting for new home buyers, feel that favorable action on this request will be in the best interest of the public as a whole."

San Mateo Park Superintendents At Council Meet

Ralph Shaw, superintendent of Parks and Recreation in San Mateo County, and his assistant Jack Brooks, were speakers at the evening recently when the Contra Costa Park Council met at Sheldon School in El Sobrante.

Forming a Recreation Commission and Section for Planning in 1932, San Mateo County now has 2000 acres of parks and is working to acquire 2500 acres more, he said. Coastline beaches now include seven and one-half miles, and it is hoped that 40 miles more will be open for public use. In addition there are 1660 acres of State Parks. The Recreation Commission in San Mateo County consists of five members appointed by the County Manager, serving four years and representing all areas in the county. Working with the planning commission, this group has acquired one million dollars for Parks from the State.

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United Crusade To Reach 86 Per Cent of Goal

The 1953 East Bay United Crusade will reach an estimated \$2,750,000, or 86 per cent of goal, when all reports are in, William H. Park, campaign chairman, has announced.

Although falling short of the \$3,250,000 goal, the estimated 1953 campaign total is the largest sum ever raised for private health and welfare services in any one East Bay appeal, Park said. In the first East Bay Crusade last year, \$2,664,382 was contributed. Park made his report before 350 Crusade volunteers at the annual East Bay United Crusade dinner and meeting December 8 at the Athens Club, Oakland.

Orinda High Plans Tentatively OK'd In Special Meeting

Acalanes High Union School District trustees in a special meeting Tuesday night took action to provisionally approve, subject to further study of some details of the plans, preliminary plans on the first stages of construction for the new Orinda High School.

Architect's estimate of initial construction costs is set at \$507,000 to include 11 classrooms, a gymnasium shell (basic gymnasium structure), two locker buildings, parking area for 50 cars, most of the utilities for the site, outdoor paved physical education areas, an athletic field and track with field sprinkler system for a turf on the field, and a service road encircling the school site.

Superintendent Neil M. Parsons said construction will start around September 1, 1954, with completion of initial units slated for the opening of school in September of 1955, with an estimated enrollment of 175 freshmen students.

Trustees also accepted grading work done at the Orinda site by the Orinda Excavating and Paving Co. Board members authorized the purchase of two 10-ton school buses at \$10,900 each from Gillig Bros. Co. of Hayward.

No action was taken on the amount to be called for in the proposed Acalanes High School District tax limit election, although the board said it is tentatively considering holding the election in May in conjunction with regular school board elections.

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USO Seeking Top Talent for Party

Professional entertainers are being contacted to entertain at the Diablo Area USO Christmas party to be held at the Walnut Creek Recreation Center, St. Mary's Catholic Church and Alamo Women's Club will supply the refreshments for the party given to the servicemen unable to go home for the holidays.

Santa Claus is expected to visit the Center and present the service men with gifts donated for the occasion.

A BOARD MEETING of the USO was held Monday at the home of Mrs. Hugo Ponzio in Holbrook Heights. Mrs. Ponzio, chairman of the junior hostesses, led a discussion on the urgent need for additional hostesses for the Christmas

party and other holiday affairs for the next few weeks. The hostesses were going to be asked to wear semi-formal attire.

A nominations committee was set up to elect officers for the next year. Vance Perry, chairman, will be assisted by Mrs. E. Kittredge and Lyman Stoddard Jr. in making recommendations. It is hoped to get wider representation in Concord, Martinez, Orinda, and Lafayette.

Present were Mrs. Donna Court, chairman, Senior Major Emil Miller, local USO director; his assistant, Harold Smith; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Paul, food chairman; Vance Perry; Mrs. E. Kittredge and Mrs. L. G. Eby. Refreshments were served following the business meeting.

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Boys Camp Group To Broadcast on KECC Sunday

Mrs. Dwight Birch, chairman, announced today that a radio program put on by the Citizens Committee for the Establishment of a Contra Costa Rehabilitation Camp for Boys will be broadcast Sunday over KECC at 7:30 p.m.

It will be a panel discussion evaluating the benefits of a rehabilitation boys camp as seen from several points of view.

B. O. Wilson, county superintendent of schools, will discuss the problem as seen through the eyes of educators and school officials. Clavey La Croix of Danville will speak as one who has worked with paroled youths, and in recreation fields.

Mrs. Birch, public welfare director of 10th District P.T.A., will act as moderator.

Several new members who attended a recent meeting of the Citizens Committee included Seth Blakeman of Lafayette, Mrs. Paul Wendt, Mrs. C. Eschen Jr., and Clavey La Croix of Danville.

Dons, Donnas Raise \$604 for Therapy Center

Led by Student Body President Bob Gray, Acalanes students have completed a hard-hitting two-day drive to raise funds for the Mt. Diablo Therapy Center.

The drive, which netted \$604, was conducted as a special Christmas project — a gift from the Acalanes student body to the community.

TOMMY REIZ, 10-year-old muscular dystrophy patient at Mt. Diablo Center, started the fundraising campaign at a student kickoff assembly last week.

This year's gift brings to approximately \$300 the amount of money donated to the Center by Acalanes students' to Christmas holiday projects in the past few years.

PRINCIPAL Stanley Walgren has invited Richard D. Wetzel, Mt. Diablo Therapy executive director, and Tommy Reiz to receive the \$604 check from Santa Claus himself this afternoon at a student-faculty Yuletide assembly.

Gray intimated that Santa Claus might also have something special during the assembly for little Tommy Reiz.

"Check presentation will be followed by a faculty skit and community singing."

Arch McKinley Heads Realtors

Arch McKinley is new president of the Contra Costa Real Estate Board following his election at a general membership breakfast Monday morning at El Nido Rancho in Lafayette.

Other officers elected include J. N. Smith, vice president; Ben Hamlin, secretary-treasurer; R. E. Wadsworth, A. J. Johnson and Lawrence Wallace, directors at large; and M. H. Bunker and Charles Cunningham, salesmen directors.

Henry Dean was elected breakfast chairman for the first quarter of 1954 and Nick Carter was re-elected chairman of the Mart Committee.

There was also discussion of proposals and recommendations by the board of directors.

Citations Will Be in Sermon

The answer to the question "Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" will be given in the Christian Science Lesson-Sermon which will be read in the Churches of Christ, Scientist at 42 Orinda Highway, Orinda, and 1355 Locust Street, Walnut Creek, Sunday.

This Lesson-Sermon, comprised of citations from the Bible and from "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy, will include the account of the spiritual creation given in the first chapter of Genesis.

"So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them" (Genesis 1:27).

Following is one of the correlative passages from Science and Health which will also be read: "Christian Science presents unfoldment, not accretion; it manifests no material growth from molecule to mind, but an impartation of the divine Mind to man and the universe. Proportionately as human generation ceases, the unbroken links of eternal, harmonious being will be spiritually discerned; and man, not of the earth earthly but coexistent with God, will appear" (p. 68).

Camp Committee

Members of the Citizens Committee for the Establishment of a Contra Costa Rehabilitation Camp toured the Alameda County camp program Wednesday night.

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THROUGH UNDERSTANDING — FRIENDSHIP. Among the more than 100 foreign students who visited Walnut Creek homes last year were, center, University of California students Mario Barriere of El Salvador and Miss Suad Ismail of Iraq, president of Arabian students attending West Coast colleges and universities. Here eating dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gaboury of Walnut Creek, they later attended a program at Las Lomas High School, commemorating the Declaration of Human Rights of the United Nations. At left are Paul Gaboury, Dr. Richard L. Park of the University of California and Carla Mermer and, at right, Mrs. Paul Gaboury and A. A. Nickel. The affair was sponsored by Mt. Diablo Council for the United Nations.

Retired Officer Apparent Suicide

William Reginald McMillin, 50, a retired naval officer was found dead in his garage in Pleasant Hill last Friday, an apparent suicide.

McMillin was partially paralyzed and despondent, according to the Sheriff's office.

He was discovered by his son, Thomas Leslie, 18, who found him in the front seat of his car on his return from school about 3:30 p.m. at the family home at 1978 Maybelle Drive.

A GARDEN ROSE from the car's exhaust pipe was strung through the car window, Sheriff's Deputies said.

The son summoned Andrew S. Rynalaz of 1972 Maybelle Drive who administered artificial respiration until a fire department resuscitator crew arrived.

Attempts to revive him were to no avail. Dr. Gene Coburn pronounced him dead.

McMillin served with the U.S. Navy for 20 years and retired two years ago due to poor health. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Guy and Blackwell Funeral Chapel in Concord.

He is survived by his wife, Helen; sons, Thomas Leslie, James R. and Peter, of the same address; a son, Second Lt. William R. Jr., enroute

to England with the U.S. Air Force; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence H. McMillin Sr. of St. Mary's, Ohio; and a sister, Mrs. Phyllis I. Wehrle, of Concord.

A NATIVE OF Middle Point, Ohio, he was a member of Mercer Lodge 121, F & AM, St. Marys, Ohio; Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Valley of Trenton, New Jersey; Knight Templars of Potomac Commandery, 3KT, Washington, D. C.; Grand Council of the Royal and Select Master, Washington, D. C.; and American Legion, Giles Biondi Post 63, Bound Brook, New Jersey.

Masonic services followed mortuary services. They were conducted by Walnut Creek Lodge F & AM, attended by members of Walnut Creek American Legion in a body.

Cremation followed at the chapel of the Chimes in Oakland with interment at Golden Gate National Cemetery.

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United Crusade Aids Shadeland School

Your contribution to the United Crusade this year is helping to make possible a more normal life for the 11 students at Shadeland School and for the estimated 50 to 75 boys and girls in Contra Costa County who have cerebral palsy.

Walter P. Rhoades of Lafayette, president of the Contra Costa Cerebral Palsy Association, announced this week that the organization plans to spend \$7225 next year to help cerebral palsied children in that area live like normal people.

EAST BAY UNITED CRUSADE, Pittsburg United Crusade and Antioch United Crusade have all agreed to help support the society's program, he added.

The amount of the budget that can be provided by United Crusade contributions depends upon the outcome of the Bay Area United Crusades campaign this year, Rhoades said.

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United Crusade Aids Shadeland School

Your contribution to the United Crusade this year is helping to make possible a more normal life for the 11 students at Shadeland School and for the estimated 50 to 75 boys and girls in Contra Costa County who have cerebral palsy.

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Awaits you in this well built 2 bedroom all plaster stucco with view. Spacious rooms, large lot and only \$9500 down.

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And you will have many a joy by this attractive well-kept 3 bedroom home. Large trees front and back. Long living room opens on sun terrace and fireplace. Close to schools and stores. No reasonable offer refused.

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Equity in your present home will probably be sufficient to cover down payment. New 4 bedroom, 2 bath, central heat, hardwood floors, automatic dishwasher. Beautiful Lakewood location. \$17,950.

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A G.I. Resale

\$10,000 loan can be assumed after reasonable down payment. Extra nice THREE BEDROOM home, separate still shower, French doors from living-dining combination to attractive lanai and patio. Excellent location, convenient to shopping and medical center, transportation. Owner transferring, must sell. Asking \$13,500.

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1709 Mt. Diablo Boulevard Yellowstone 4-9331 Evenings Yellowstone 4-6292 12-18-2c

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THREE BEDROOMS, 2 BATHS, for ONLY \$11,950. This home is newly painted on the exterior, has a garbage disposal in the sunny kitchen, a large covered patio, Bay Water and the sewer is in and paid. New PHA commitment of \$9250 or present loan can be assumed. Really a good buy.

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\$1000 DOWN

Immediate occupancy. Neat 3 bedroom home. Small shower, landscaped, fenced, good well and pump. Insulated. Only 2 years old. Total price \$11,700. Call Bob Clough.

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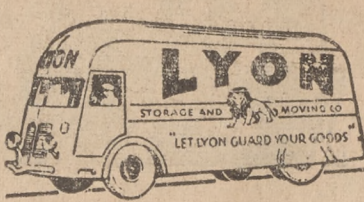
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56. PERSONALS
SPIRITUALISTIC Reading. Advice given on all matters. Answers all questions. 3687 Mt. Diablo, Lafayette 8950. 12-25-4p

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They include Mrs. Arthur Wastaff, home service; Mrs. Arthur Hammonds, Gray Ladies; Mrs. Arthur Gordon, supply; Mrs. Sumner McAllister, entertainment; and Mrs. Claire Hamilton, major service.

Those concerned with safety services are as follows: Frank Williams, first aid; Mrs. Karl Pape, water safety; Mrs. Stuart Lee, blood program; Rear Admiral H. W. Need, disaster.

Others include Mrs. Stanley Johnson, Junior Red Cross; Mrs. J. C. Macdonald, Sr., production; Mrs. J. T. Hannan, social welfare; Mrs. Leona Johnson, staff aide; Mrs. James Bailey, service groups chairman; and also the public information and fund drive leaders.

Irving Magill, general chairman, says all service units are ready and eager to help the servicemen and residents of the area whenever possible.

He extended an invitation to all to stop at the Chapter House.

Reservists Meet
Naval Reserve Composite Company 12-25 of Walnut Creek met Tuesday to hear a talk on "The Low-Level Bomb Sight."

Meetings are held every other week at headquarters on Mt. Diablo Boulevard.

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Bus Story Is Old but Not Sweet

The Contra Costa County Commuters Association last week asked the California Public Utilities Commission for "immediate relief from intolerable, overloaded service existing on Pacific Greyhound Lines buses in commute service between Contra Costa County and Oakland or San Francisco."

Immediately following this protest, another bus was added by Greyhound, temporarily relieving the crowded conditions. This situation has occurred before in the history of the Commuters Association.

However, we agree with the Commuters Association when it says that poor commute service by Greyhound is an old story. Anyone who has read The SUN for the past few years will recall that situations similar to this have occurred almost with the regularity of clockwork.

Conditions become intolerable, so the Commuters Association is forced to raise its voice in protest to the Public Utilities Commission — this after long and cumbersome talks with Greyhound officials have failed to bring satisfaction.

It is true that Greyhound has added a bus now and then, but only after acute pressure has been applied by the commuter group.

It certainly should not be necessary for

a group of commuters to have to continually raise their voice in protest in order to secure the service for which they are paying.

We agree with the Commuters Association and President John E. McKirahan that a load standard should be established permitting additional buses to be added as the load demands.

They should not have to protest to get what is rightfully their own.

The Commuters Association has done an outstanding job in fighting for the rights of its members and it is to be congratulated for wading in when action was necessary and not backing down until action was forthcoming.

It is mainly through the action of this association that conditions are as good as they are for commuters between Contra Costa County and Bay Area points.

The association provides a strong factor in gaining "tolerable" conditions for the long-suffering commuters who are faced with a choice of two evils — driving on congested highways or standing in line waiting for overloaded buses.

We support the stand of the Commuters Association that the Public Utilities Commission establish load standards as soon as possible.

What They Say...

What Would You Do with an A-Bomb?

Would you know what to do if there were an A-bomb attack on air raid?

This is the question The SUN asked local residents this week in response to the interest in civil defense which has been generating in the area.

Most residents seem to have formulated some plan by which they would act in case of disaster, and here are their answers:

"YOU MEAN in this area" said Charles J. Leonard Jr., 3254 Sweet Drive, Lafayette. "I think I'd go down into the basement."

J. A. Leppard, 40 Overhill Road, Orinda, said "I would know what to do for the family, but I am not sure as far as the community is concerned."

"I HAVE SOME IDEA what I would do," commented William O. Laack, 185 Las Vegas Road, Orinda. "I would tune my radio to 640 or 1240 wavelengths and wait. I think that's about all there is to do."

Lyle P. Lund, 4 Powell Drive, Lafayette, said "No, I've read some things about getting into the basement, and I've got a basement."

"YES, I KNOW pretty much what to do," was the answer of Mrs. Loren Saylor of 11 Magnolia Court, Walnut Creek. She added, "Things

might be different with the bombs dropping, though."

"Well, what I know about is to stay away from windows and get under something sturdy," said Mrs. John Ramus of 112 Bridge Road, Pleasant Hill. You should stay near the inner walls of your house, she added.

MRS. CHARLES S. Murty of 31 Elliott Drive, Pleasant Hill, answered, "Gee, I don't know. I guess the thing to do is to get down below the house as far as possible."

"Well, I would close all my shades and get under cover," was the answer of A. J. Kahnberg of 1924 Almond Avenue, Walnut Creek.

Wilson pointed out that this increase is equivalent to approximately 200 new classrooms.

County Schools Now Increased by 6000

Contra Costa County school population outside of Richmond increased by 6000 children, or 14 per cent, during the past year, an enrollment analysis by the office of County Superintendent B. O. Wilson has disclosed.

Martinez Merry-Go-Round Ex-Deputy Dies

A lifelong resident of Martinez and a former sheriff's deputy, Rueben Ambrose McNamara died this week in the Oakland Regional Veterans Hospital at the age of 63.

He served as a deputy for many years under the late Richard Rains Veale.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at St. Catherine's Church, Martinez, and interment followed at St. Joseph Mausoleum in San Pablo.

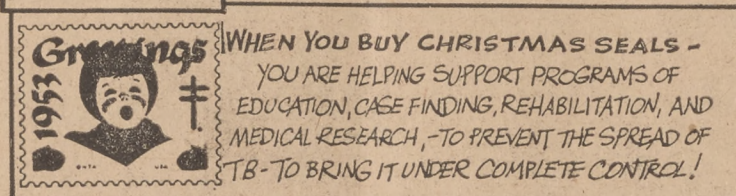
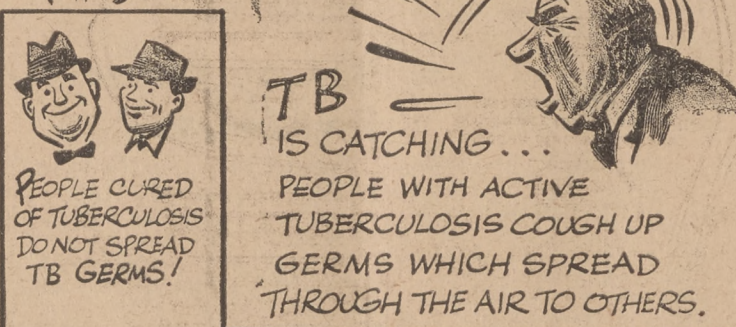
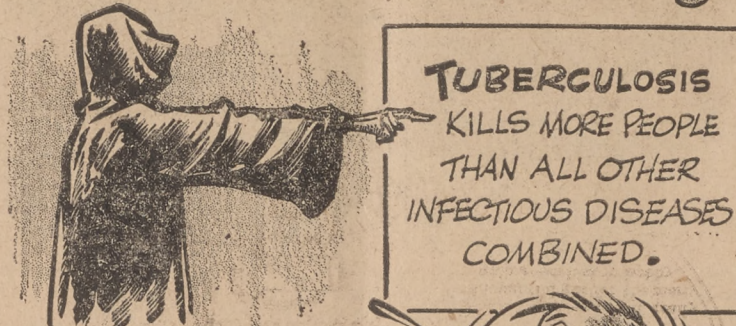
Master List Urged

Drafting of a master list of capital improvement projects for all local government along with recommendations on priority and financing was urged by Richard L. Graves of Lafayette, executive director of the League of California Cities.

'The Male Animal' Tryouts Held

Tryouts for "The Male Animal," next production of Pleasant Hill Playshop, were held Monday night at Acalanes High School.

DID YOU KNOW?



Schools Growing At High Rate Again; 79,840 Enrollment

After a slight decline in the rate of increase in 1952-53, school enrollment in Contra Costa County is back to the high growth rate that has skyrocketed the total of public school pupils from 19,528 in 1940 to 79,840 in October 1953.

County Superintendent B. O. Wilson, commented on the fall enrollment report compiled by his office.

ELEMENTARY ENROLLMENT increased 9.1% and high school enrollment 8.9% between October 1952 and October 1953. This was in contrast to a 7.1% increase in elementary and 4.1% in high school enrollment between 1951 and 1952.

Current enrollment is 56,826, elementary; 20,926, junior and senior high, and 2,088, Contra Costa Junior College. The combined enrollment gained 7.6% in the October to October period.

MORE THAN ONE-THIRD of the school children in first through sixth grades are still on double session. The total number is 14,685, as compared with 12,000 a year ago. Apparently cessation of hostilities in Korea has stabilized high school attendance. Whereas for the past several years the high schools generally experienced a decline in enrollment, the figure in October 1953 was up from the previous year's 14,076 to 15,425 or 9.6%.

that they raise funds nationally to be used where the need indicates.

I SINCERELY HOPE that if we had the equivalent of the Texas City disaster, we would receive funds from the National Red Cross. You and I know that such would be the case.

The agreement with the East Bay United Crusade would not create any barrier to this type of action, and the implication that it would is not only misleading but downright dishonest.

Phillip Johnson is further quoted as saying: "Had we been a part of any joint fund raising venture, countless patients in our county would have gone without medical attention and post-polio therapy."

If such is the case, it is not because of any action by the United Crusade. The only explanation for this statement must be found in Mrs. Taylor's quote: "It is against national policy for us to be connected with any joint fund raising effort."

PERHAPS AN HONEST summary of what Mrs. Taylor and Mr. Johnson intended to convey was this:

a. Nationally the March of Dimes is uncooperative.

b. Nationally the March of Dimes has taken the attitude that if a local chapter desires and does cooperate with a United Crusade, then the National March of Dimes will penalize all the people in that chapter's area by withdrawing support in case of epidemics.

c. The uncooperative attitude of the national organization, plus the constant danger of epidemic in this area for which local funds would not be sufficient, indicates that the prudent course to take is to refrain from the local campaign.

ROBERT KAHN, 3367 Moraga Boulevard, Lafayette.

Letters to the Editor

Editor:

Leaders in both major political parties have urged citizens to take a more active part in politics. The country would benefit because the citizens would know both sides to political arguments, and they would be, therefore, less inclined to vote for propositions or candidates on a last minute emotional appeal by one side or the other.

The SUN's recent editorial urging qualified candidates to run for various city and county offices was a further expression of hope that the people inform themselves about candidates and issues so that the best candidates can be put on the ballot for consideration by the electorate.

THIS LETTER is written to put forth a proposal serving that end. The Democratic and Republican Clubs in other counties nearby are engaging each other in debates on various issues. This type of forum is, of course, open to the public.

Contra Costa Republican and Democratic clubs should inaugurate a series of debates soon.

The topics or questions could deal with local issue, state and national questions of the day as viewed by spokesmen of both parties.

It is suggested that this sort of activity be held on a monthly basis, possibly starting in January.

THIS ORDERLY method of argument could replace the feverish last minute charges and counter-charges in November of 1954 to some extent.

The voters would have made up their minds pretty well by these helpful forums, and we can have the best qualified candidates on the ballot for our consideration. I hope that the Democratic and Republican Clubs will consider this as a worthwhile suggestion, so as to benefit the voters of Contra

Costa County.

TOM KENDALL

Dear Editor:

In a recent issue of The SUN you had an article headed "March of Dimes Explains Why Not in Crusade."

Most of the information contained in the article was either misleading or inaccurate.

The article quoted Mrs. Taylor, chairman of the local chapter: "The United Crusade insists upon a budget from its affiliated members. Since polio is, in most cases, an epidemic disease, it is impossible to budget our anticipated expenses."

THE FACTS: The United Crusade now includes the Red Cross, and they face just as unpredictable situations. Few people can forecast at the time of the preceding fund raising drive that there will be a Texas City disaster or that the Missouri River will flood.

Funds from the local chapters of the Red Cross included in the United Crusade go to National Headquarters to be used in areas of crisis (epidemic in the case of March of Dimes).

Funds for Cancer and Heart also go to national headquarters, in addition to providing certain local facilities.

The question of "budget" has not arisen in these cases.

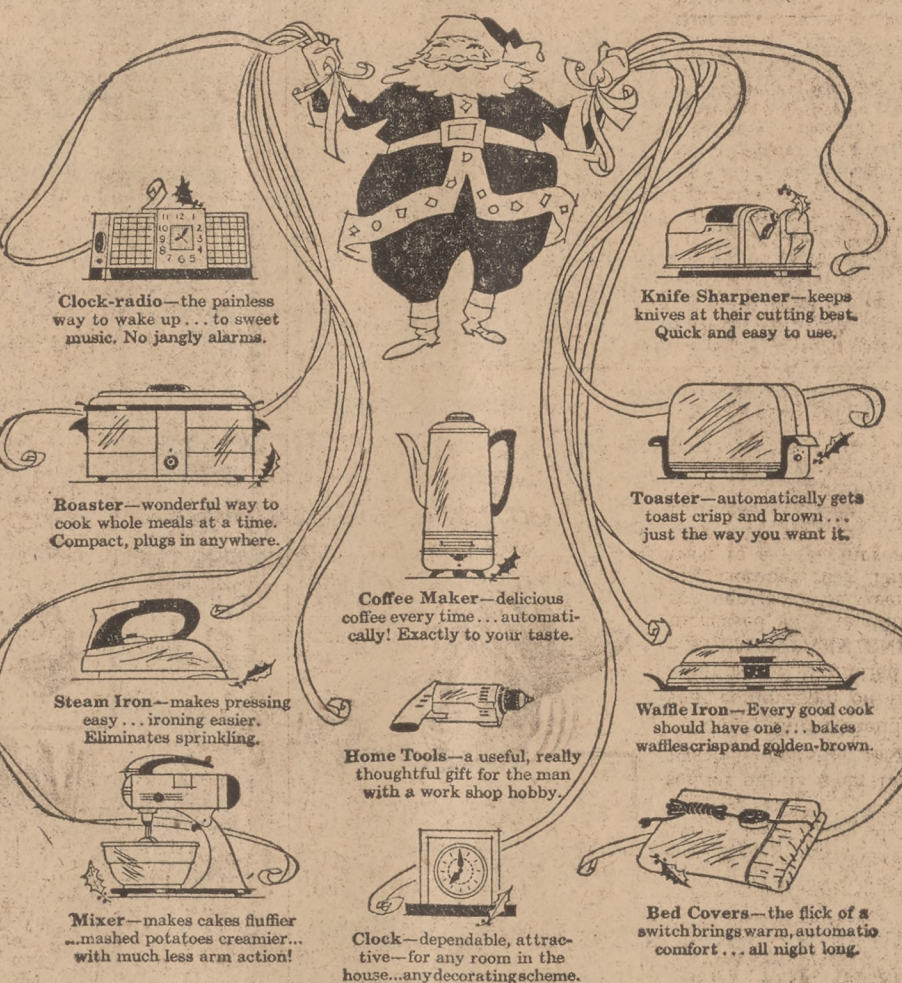
The article quoted Phillip Johnson, chapter treasurer: "For more than four years our National Chapter has returned more money to the Contra Costa County Chapter than has been sent to it from local March of Dimes donations as its share."

The implication: That membership in East Bay United Crusade would prevent this. After all, it is the nature of organizations such as March of Dimes and Red Cross

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Under The Sun

By Herman Silverman

Assemblyman Don Doyle will try to become "Congressman Don Doyle!"

Yes, this is an old rumor. But, remember, some weeks ago Doyle stated unequivocally in public meetings he will run for reelection to the Assembly. That was supposed to be that.

But I now hear from "sources very close to Doyle" that he probably will run for Congress. They say he received some high-powered encouragement from some highly-placed Republicans and this will result in his congressional candidacy.

Don is a natural politician — terrific personality, very handsome, able and hardworking. He has political ambitions. If he doesn't run for congress, it will be for only one reason — business.

His insurance business is doing well. As an assemblyman and a local official with increasing influence, his insurance business is enhanced. But as a congressman in Washington D. C., his local insurance business would suffer.

Political Headaches in the making

If he runs against Condon, the GOP political scene will be thrown into turmoil. What will John Baldwin do? He has not stopped campaigning since his narrow defeat by Condon in '52. He is ready to run again. Some people (demos and republicans) would like to see him as our district attorney and would support him vigorously.

And who would run for assemblyman on the GOP slate? Probably four or five like last election. Maybe former candidate King Parker and/or Joe Creighton. Very interested is Ed Larmer, who wanted to run in '52 but backed out at the last minute. And many others.

Is screening the answer?

The republican committee established to "screen" candidates will try to select just one for the assembly post. But I doubt if they will have any more luck keeping the field small than did the Republican Assembly.

Incidentally, the Democrats also would like to select THE candidate for each race and push him in.

Independent republicans and democrats alike generally oppose this selection method. While it begins in good faith, it often deteriorates and smacks of the old party boss system. This is the very reason for holding primary elections. Let anyone run for office then, let the voters decide.

Of course, this is a generalization. Thank gosh, the republicans of our community organized the committee in '52 to stop Sheriff Long from running for congress.

There is much discussion of organizing a county-wide group to select and support able, honest candidates for sheriff and district attorney this year. Keep an eye on this.

Pacific Greyhound needs public relation

Several columns ago I pointed out what a splendid public relations job EBmud is doing. EBmud is a public utility, even though a governmental unit. Other public utilities — P.G.&E., P.T.&T., Coast Counties, Southern Pacific, etc. — also are good to excellent in public relations.

But the worst I've ever seen is Pacific Greyhound. I certainly have nothing against Greyhound. They are good advertisers. However, I can't understand why they seem to go out of their way to be tough with their customers.

I refer particularly to bus commuters, who are in constant battle with Greyhound. It's not only here but in Marin and other counties. If you don't know what I mean just read the stories on Commuters vs. Greyhound that are always in the news.

Oddly enough, this poor policy appears to come from the very top, rather than from the lower echelons. Usually, top officials encourage good public relations.

I'd like to suggest that Greyhound hire a public relations man. They did this several years — when their fare increase petition was before the State Public Utility Commission. The SUN would welcome more news from Greyhound — not only on controversial issues, but also on schedule changes, improved service, etc.

Hats off to an overworked guy

The SUN today doffs its hat to a guy who never says "no" when asked to help with a worthy cause. More organizations overwork this fellow than anyone else I know in the area.

It may be distributing containers for the March of Dimes... or working for community recreation program... or barbecuing for 200 at a picnic... or providing a hand... or whipping together some entertainment... or planning a show... or a banquet... or selling tickets or many, many other things.

When no one else will do it or can do it, you call on him. He probably spends more time on community projects than on his insurance business.

So The SUN says Hats Off to—JACK HAGEMAN.

Adoption Fact: One Child, 10 Families

At the Adoption Auxiliary's December meeting at the home of Mrs. George H. Pence Jr. of Lafayette, Mrs. Joseph Warren of Concord spoke on "Why are so many good people turned down for adoption?"

She explained that from a purely statistical basis—10 adoptive families per one available child—obviously the request of every good family cannot be met.

TALKS ON ADOPTION were scheduled for next month.

Mrs. J. Marchant, Walnut Creek, chairman of the speakers panel, and Mrs. Robert C. Keyston of Lafayette will speak to the students of the Family Living Course at Contra Costa Junior College on January 14.

They will interpret the roles of the case-worker, the natural parent and the adoptive family at both

the East and West campuses.

The Auxiliary's January 6 meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Marchant, 1340 Lake, Walnut Creek, at 1:30 p.m. The topic, "What is a home study?" will be discussed by Mrs. Stewart Crawford of Concord.

THOSE INTERESTED in attending are invited to call Mrs. Donald Fibush, membership chairman, Lafayette 2019.

Mrs. Keyston, public relations chairman, requests questions from persons interested in facts about the adoption of children with special needs.

These include children of school age, those of mixed or minority races and the physically handicapped.

Questions should be sent to the Adoption Question and Answer Service, P. O. Box 44, Lafayette.

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